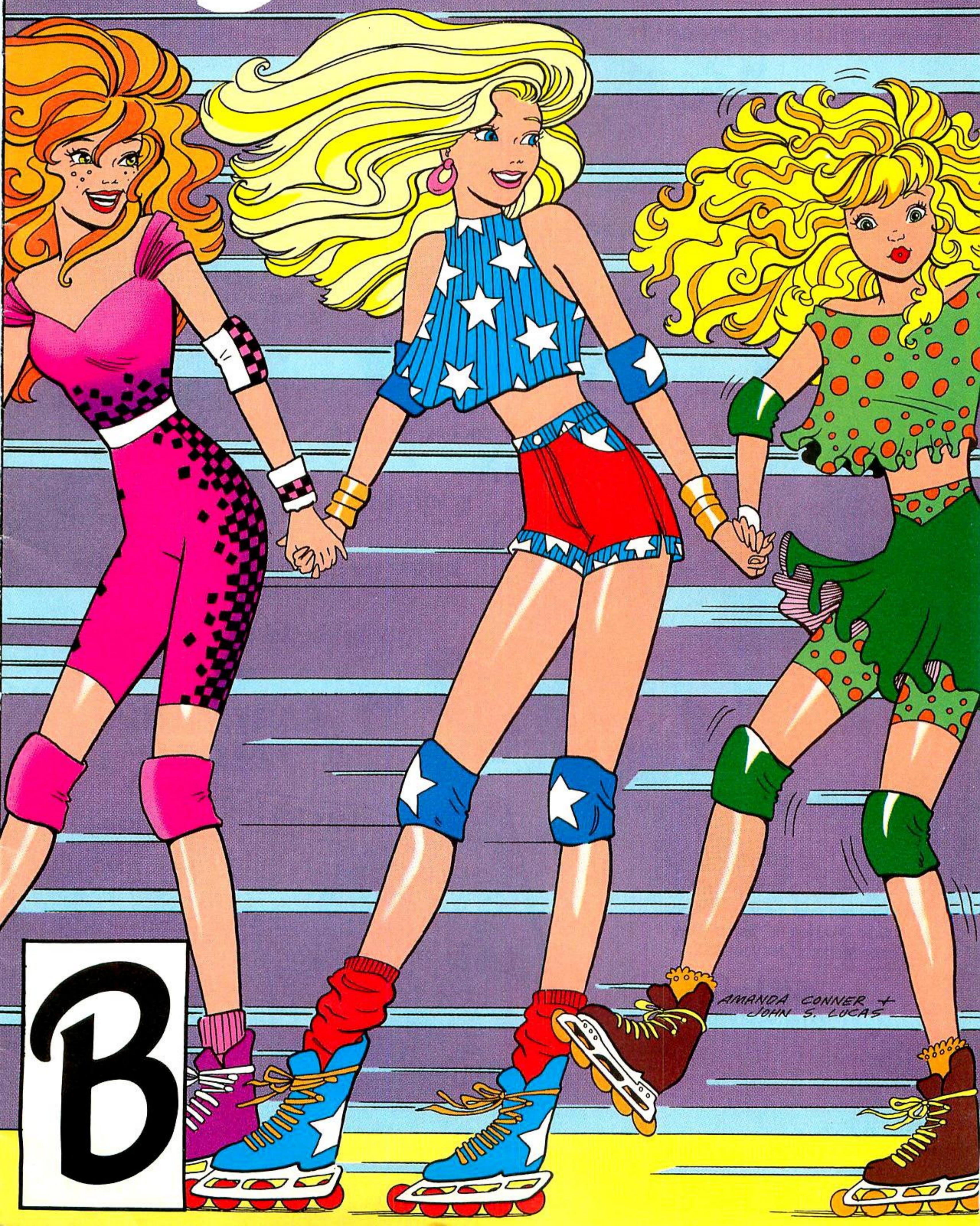


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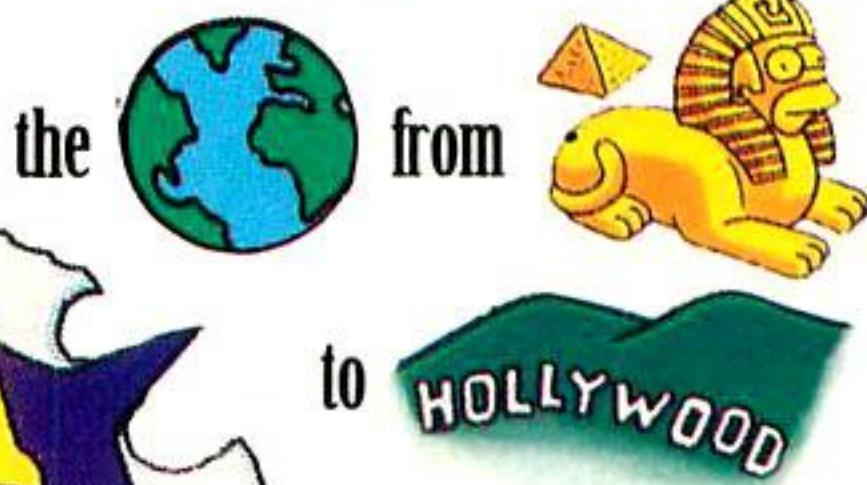
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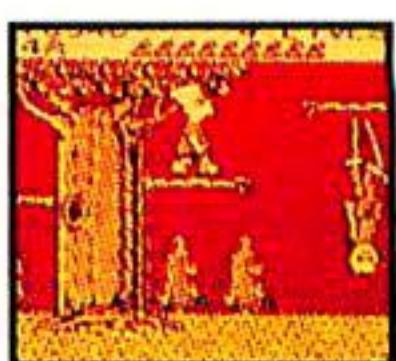
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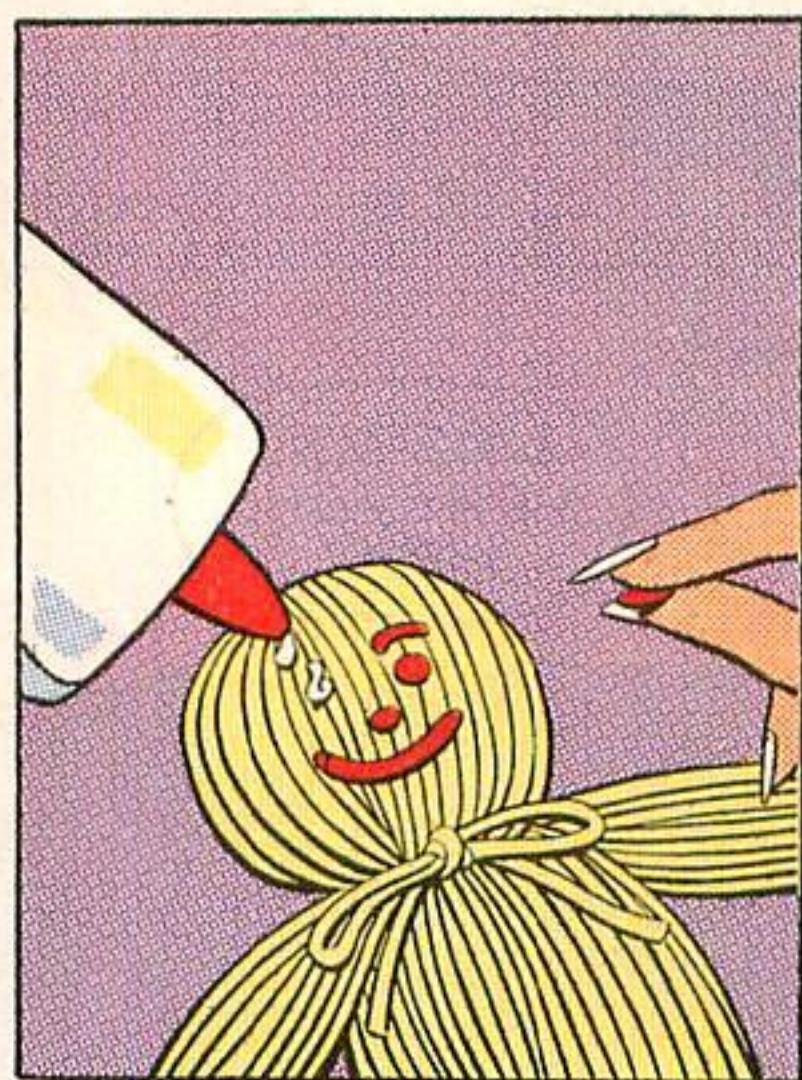
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NO OLD FOOL

Of course, a horse is just a horse!

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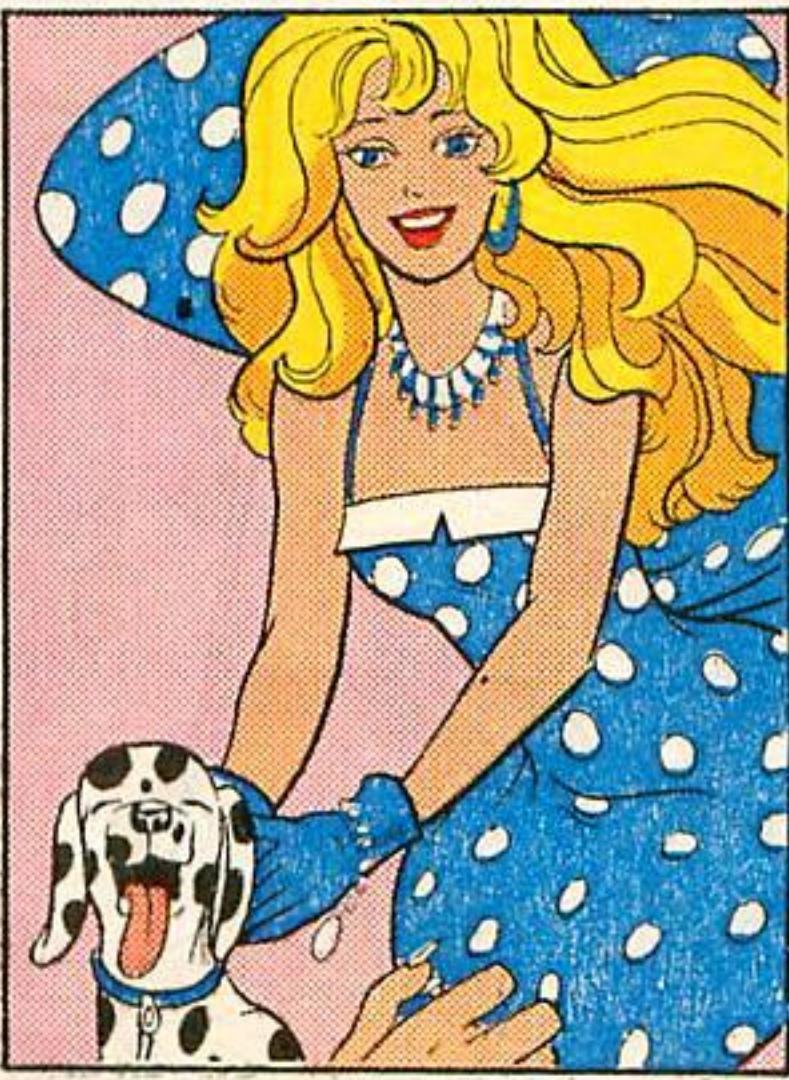
CRAFT SHOP
Scarecrows are very corn-y!

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GET A BIGGER DOG!

Keeping up with Barbie can be ruff, ruff!

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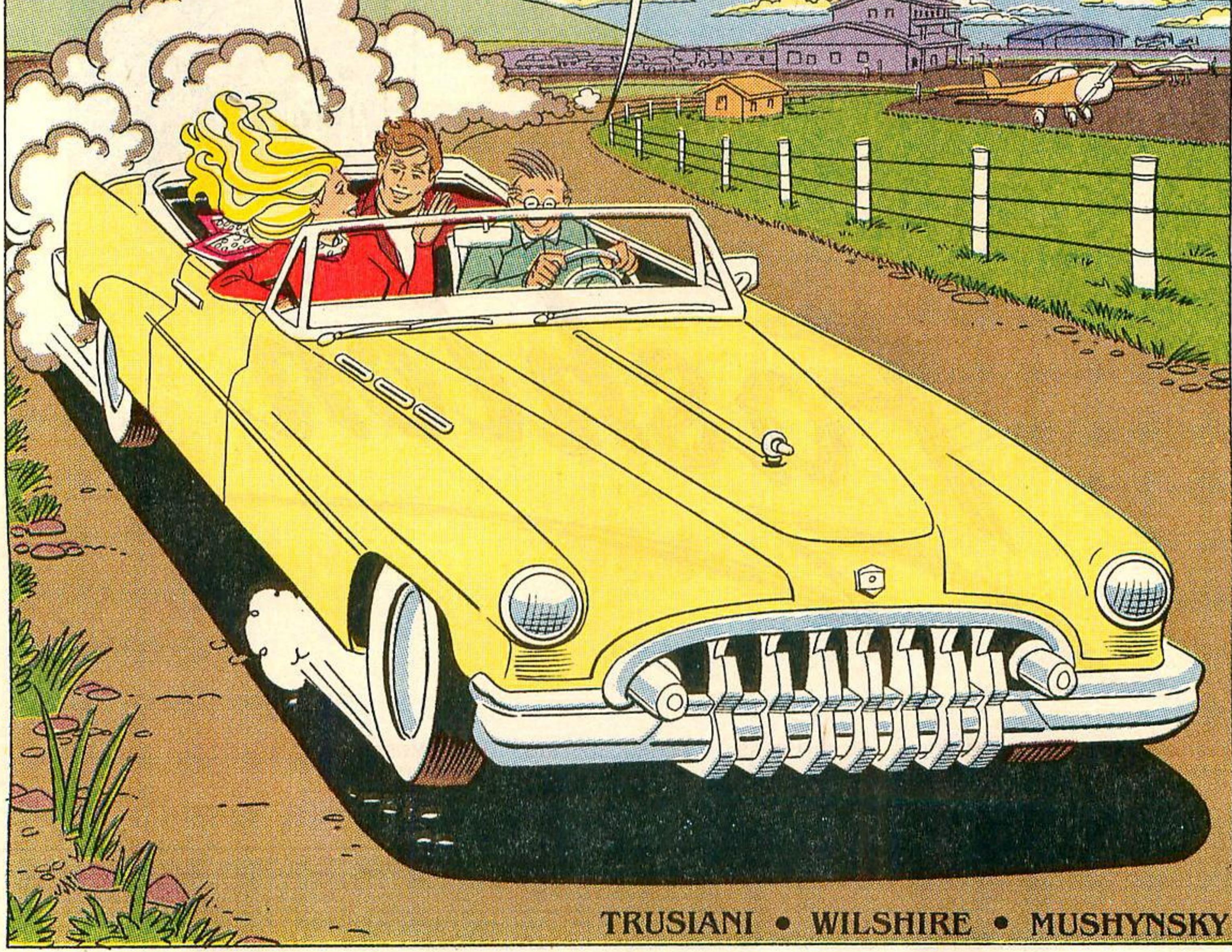
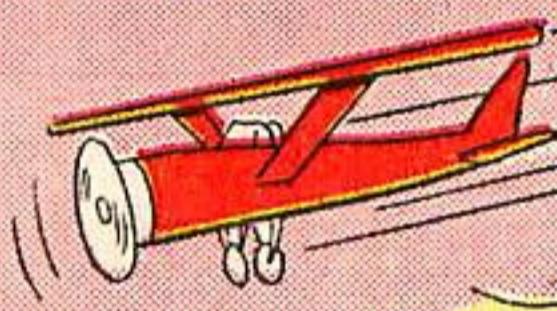
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Barbie IN AN OLD FOG

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FARM, KEN!

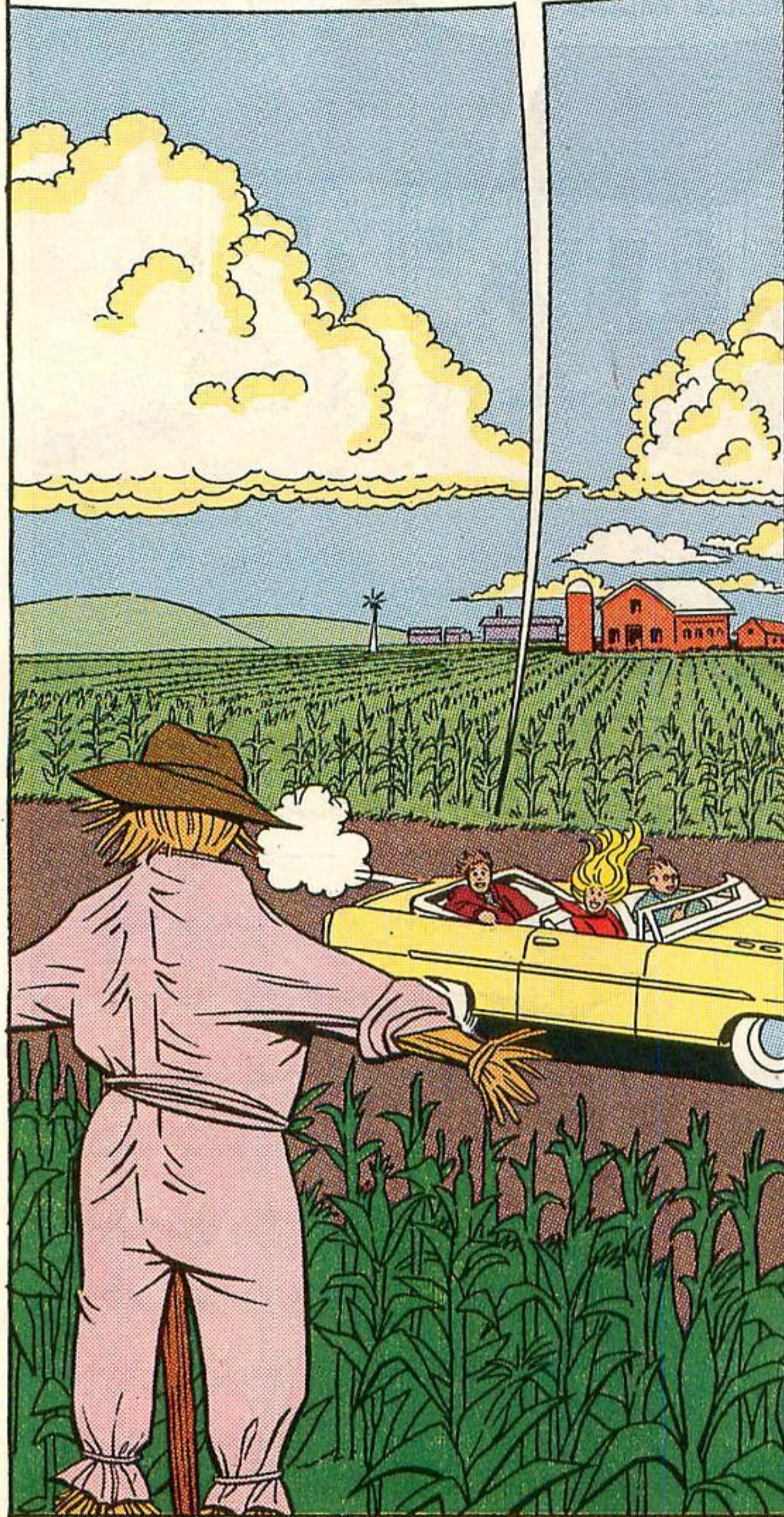
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LIKE ME!
HEH! HEH!
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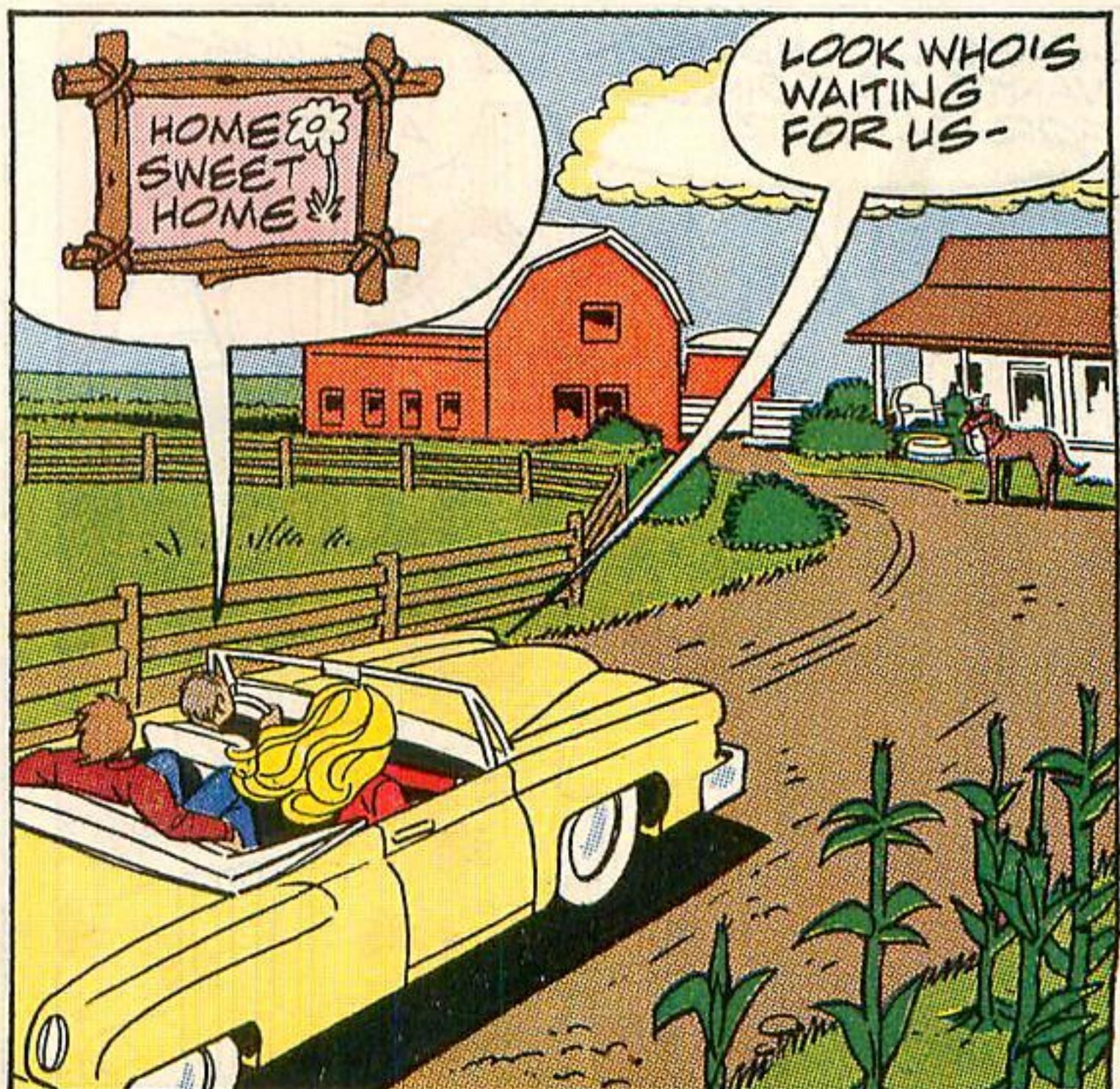
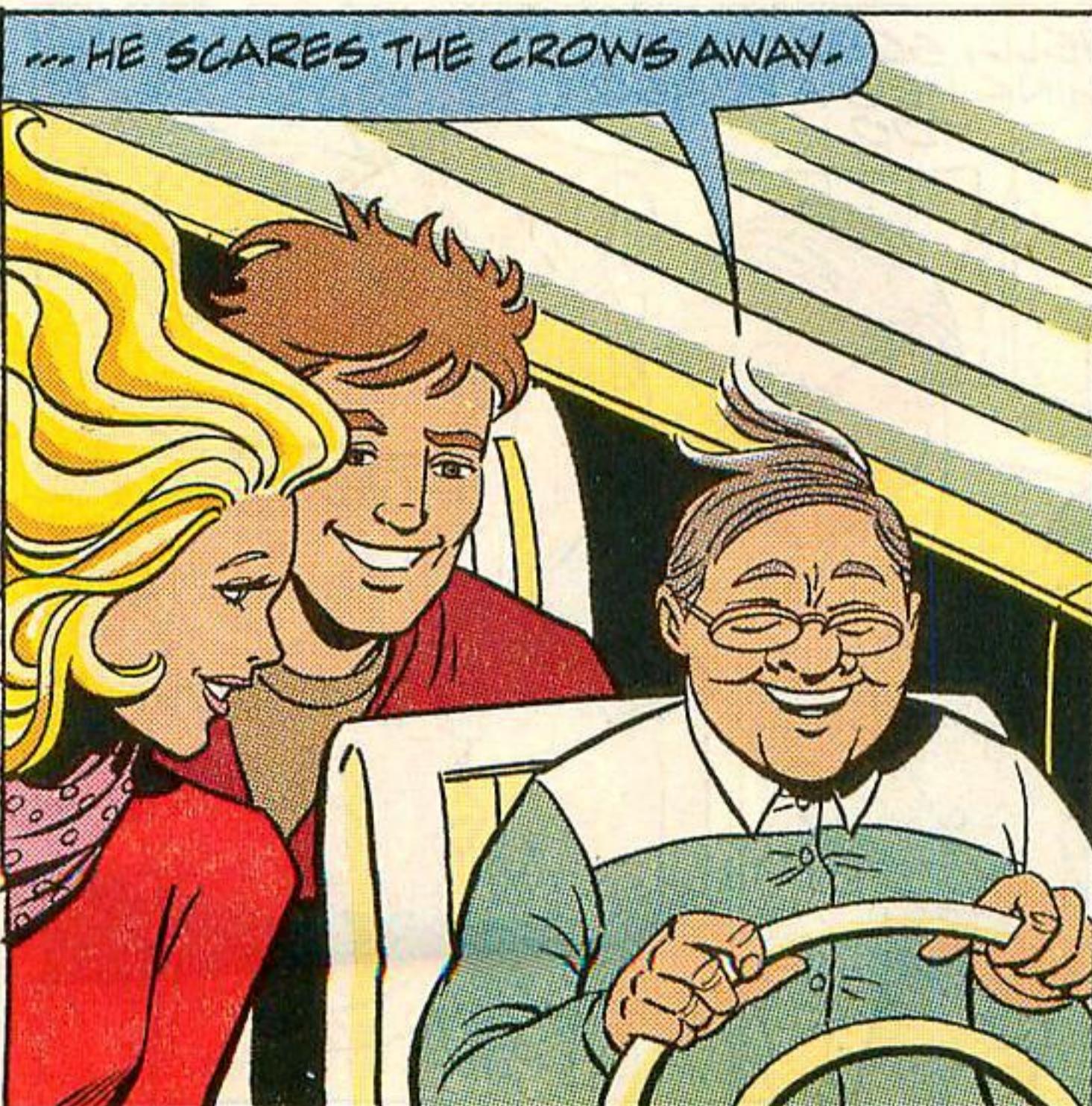
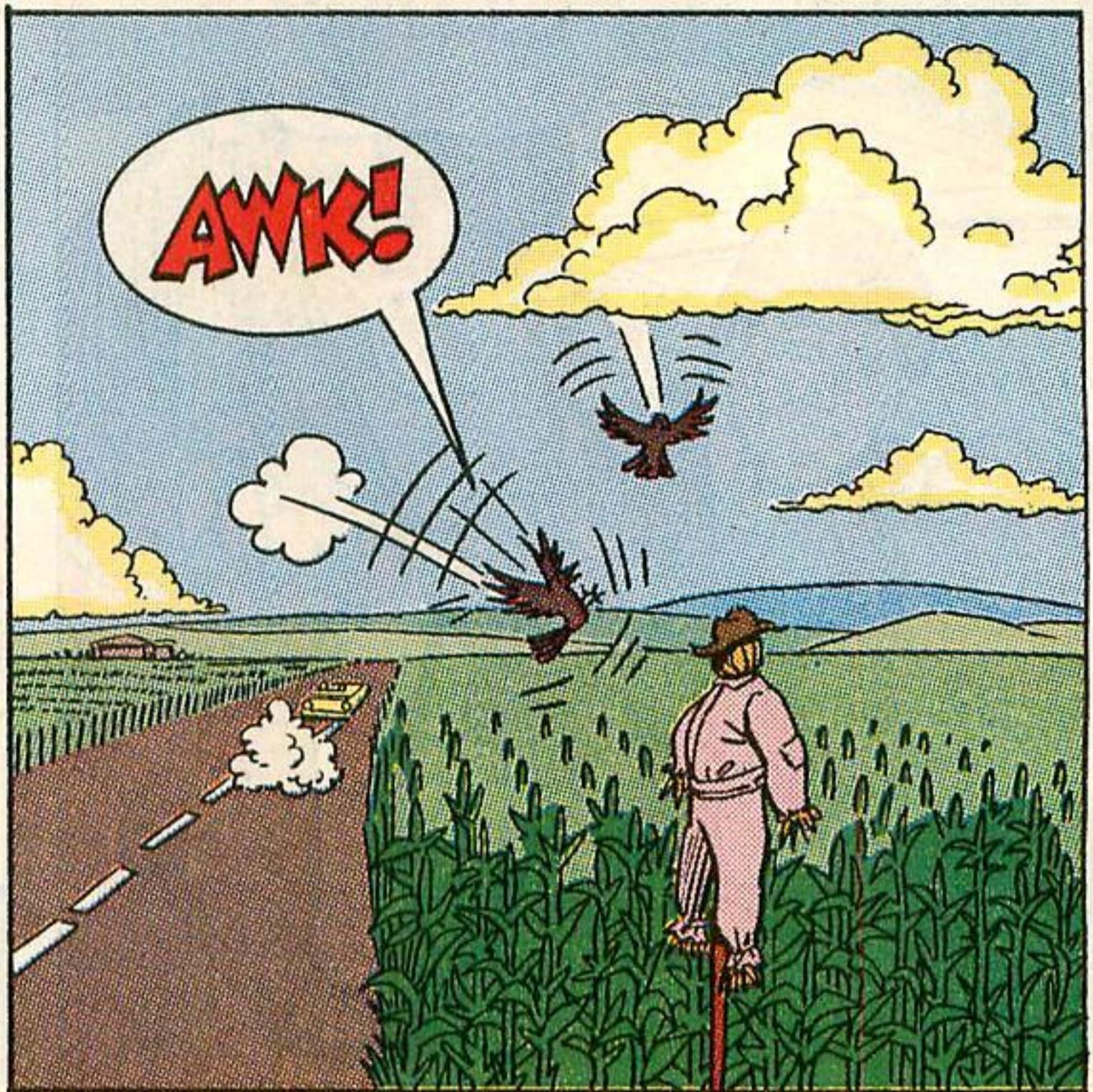
SPEAKING OF ONE-OF-A-KIND, BARBIE,
I'VE NEVER SEEN A SCARECROW
WEARING...

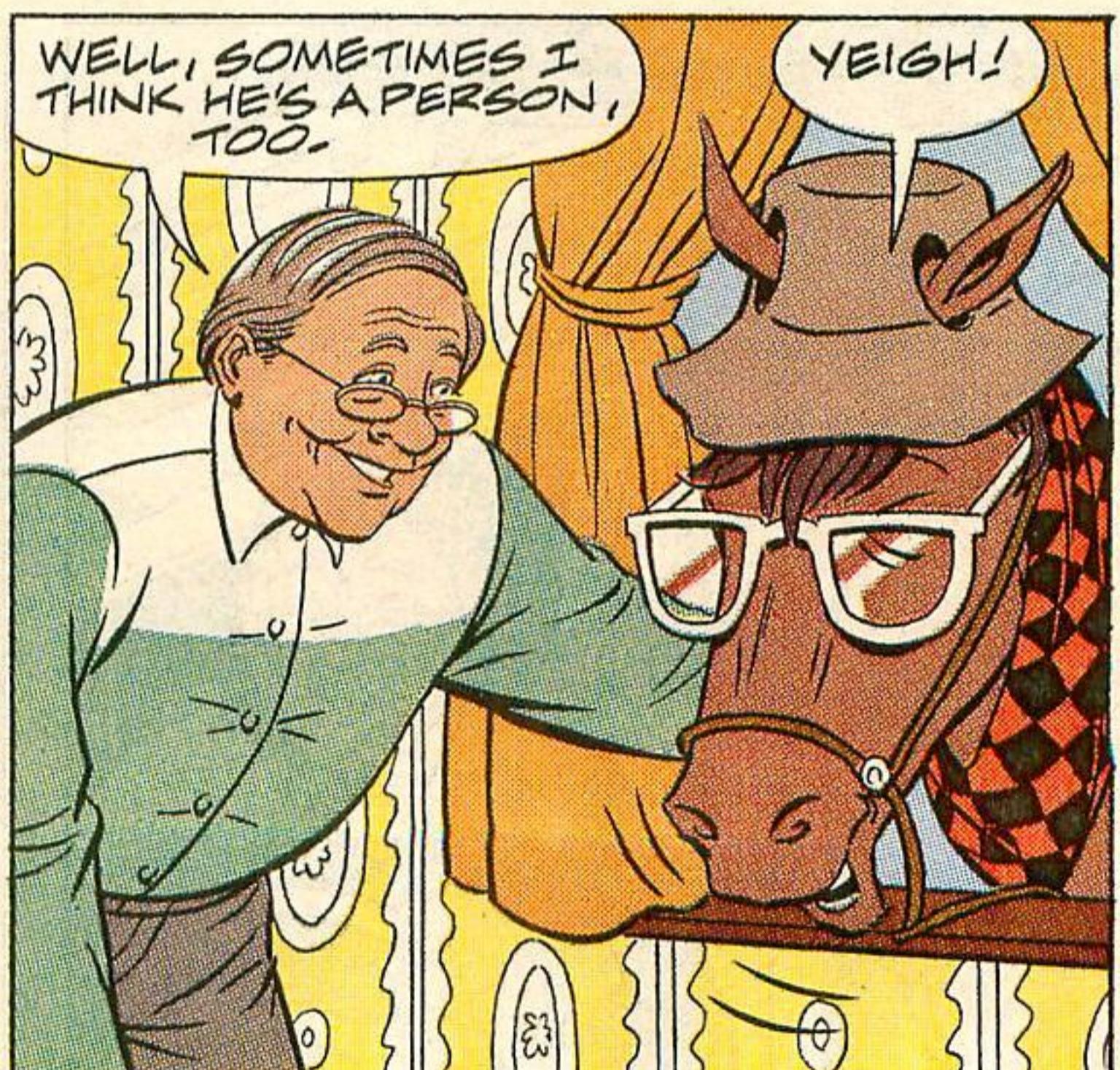
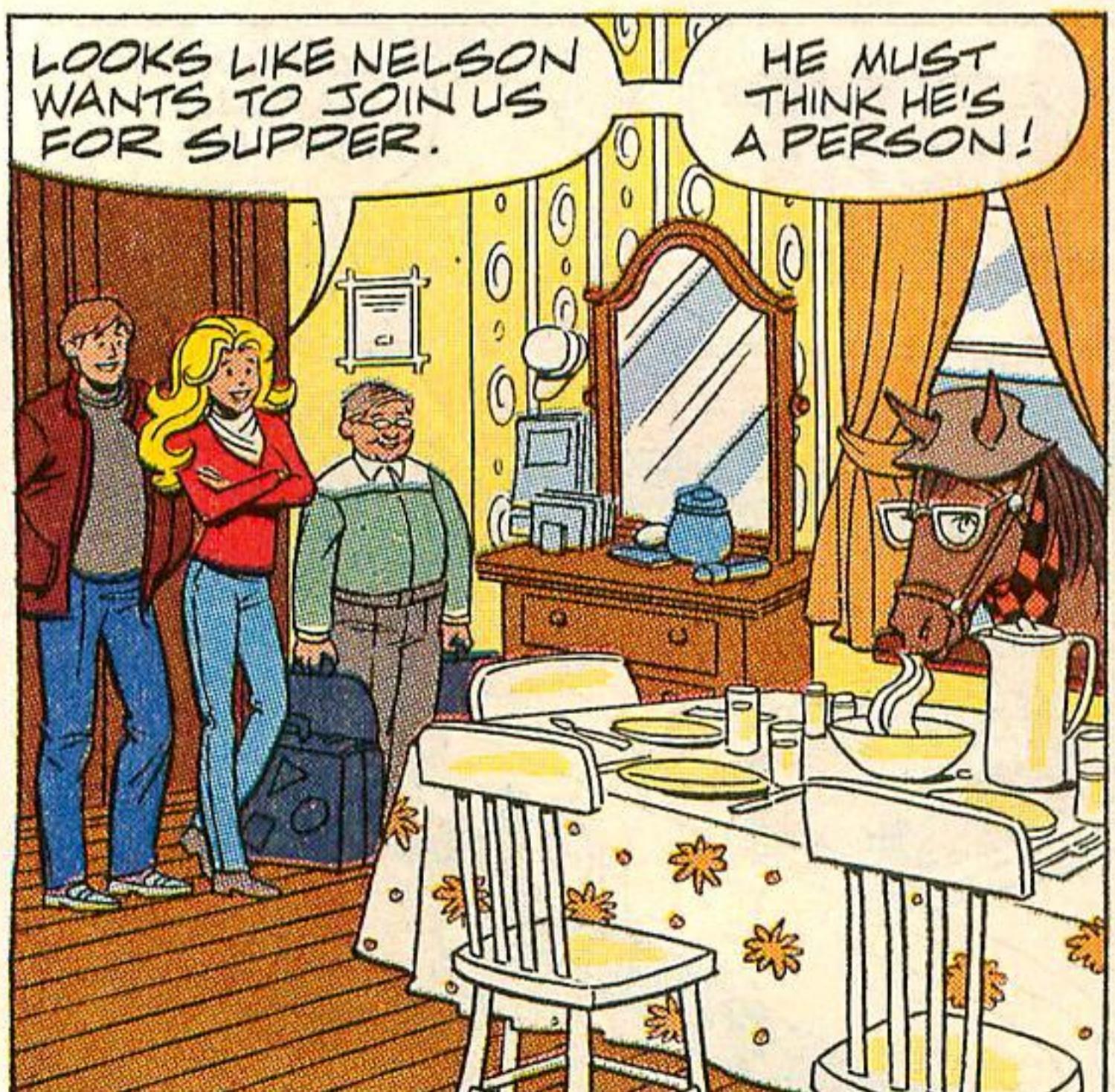
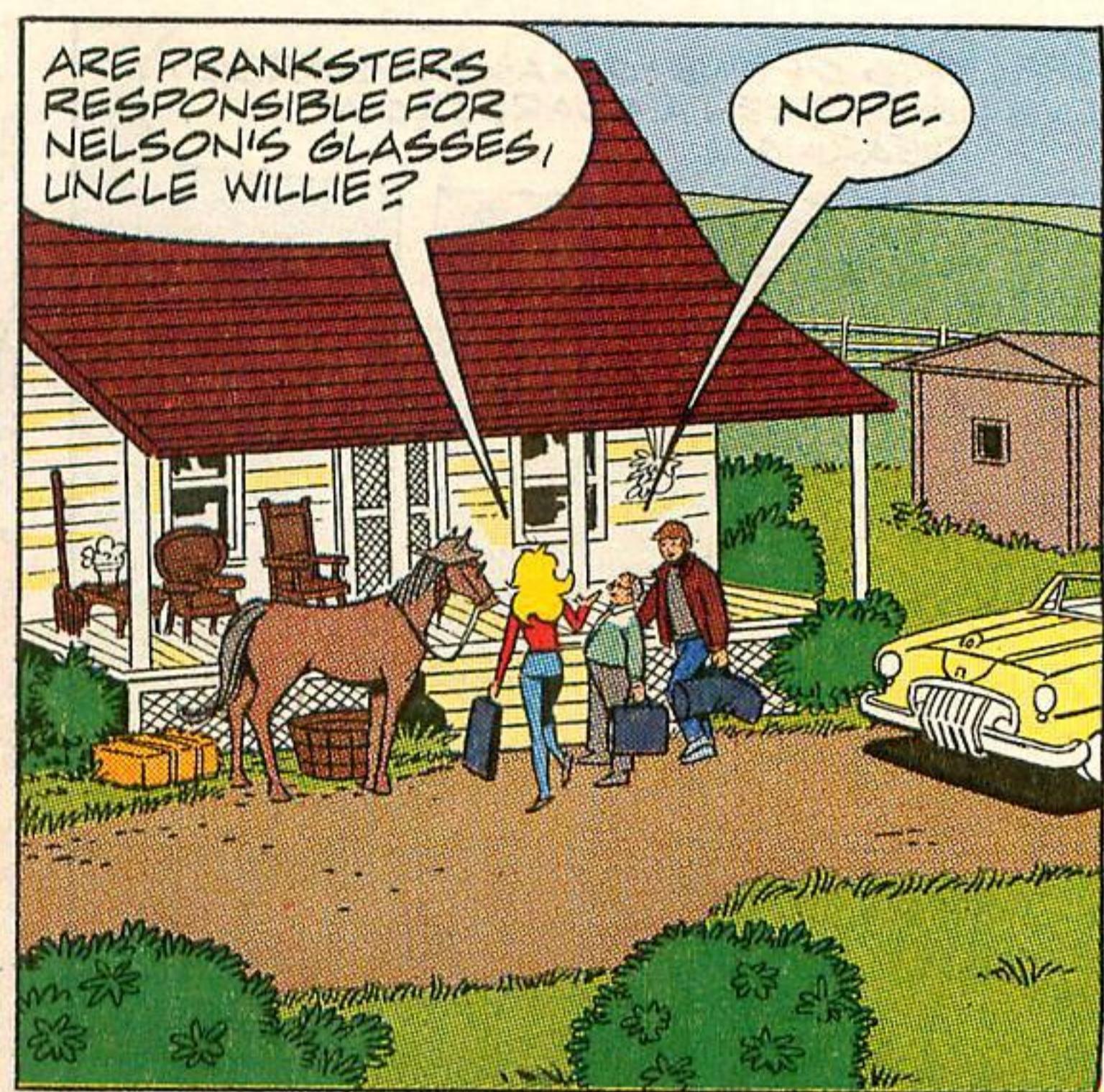
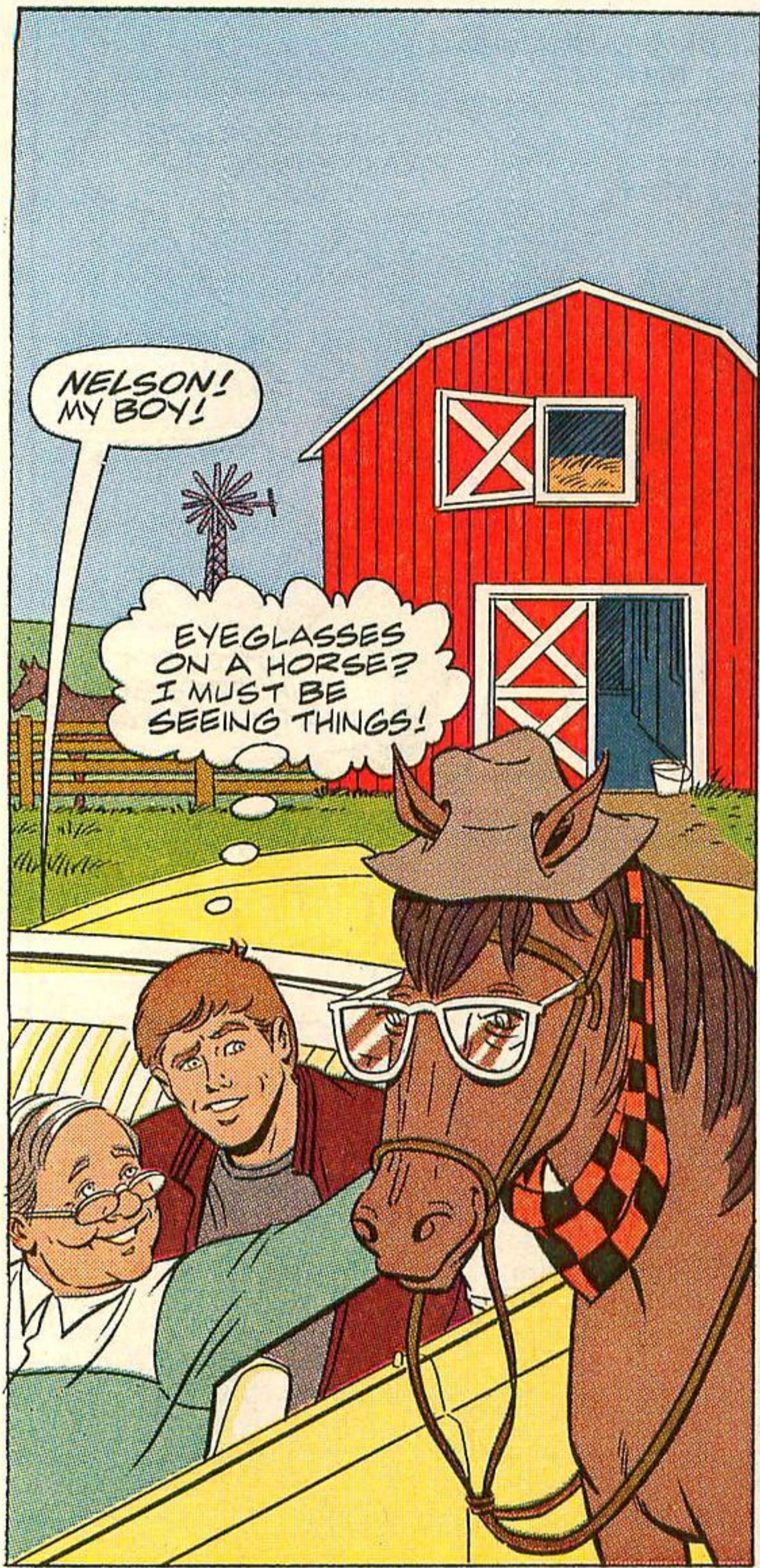


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THAT.

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HIM DRESSED
THAT WAY BECAUSE...







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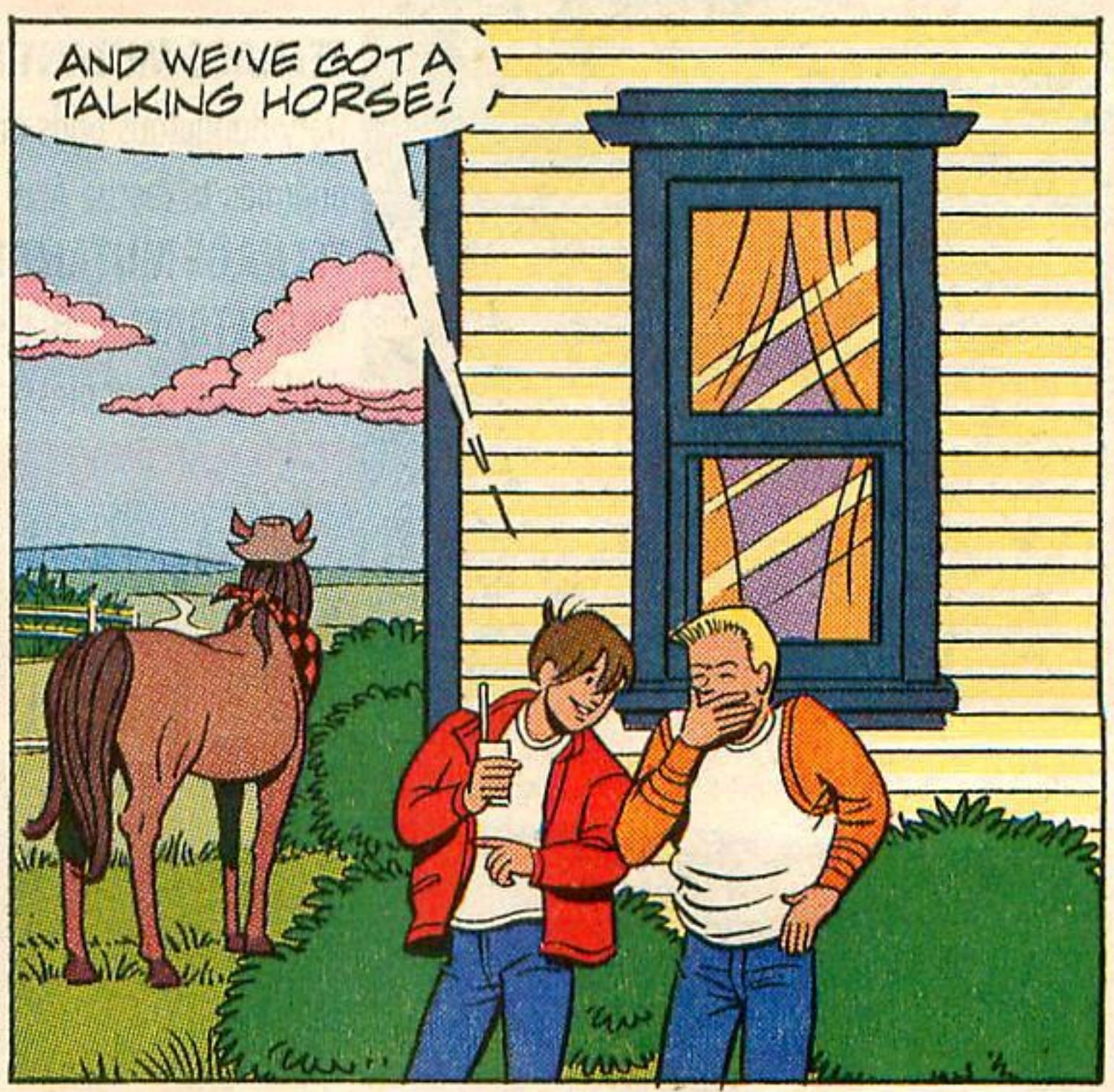
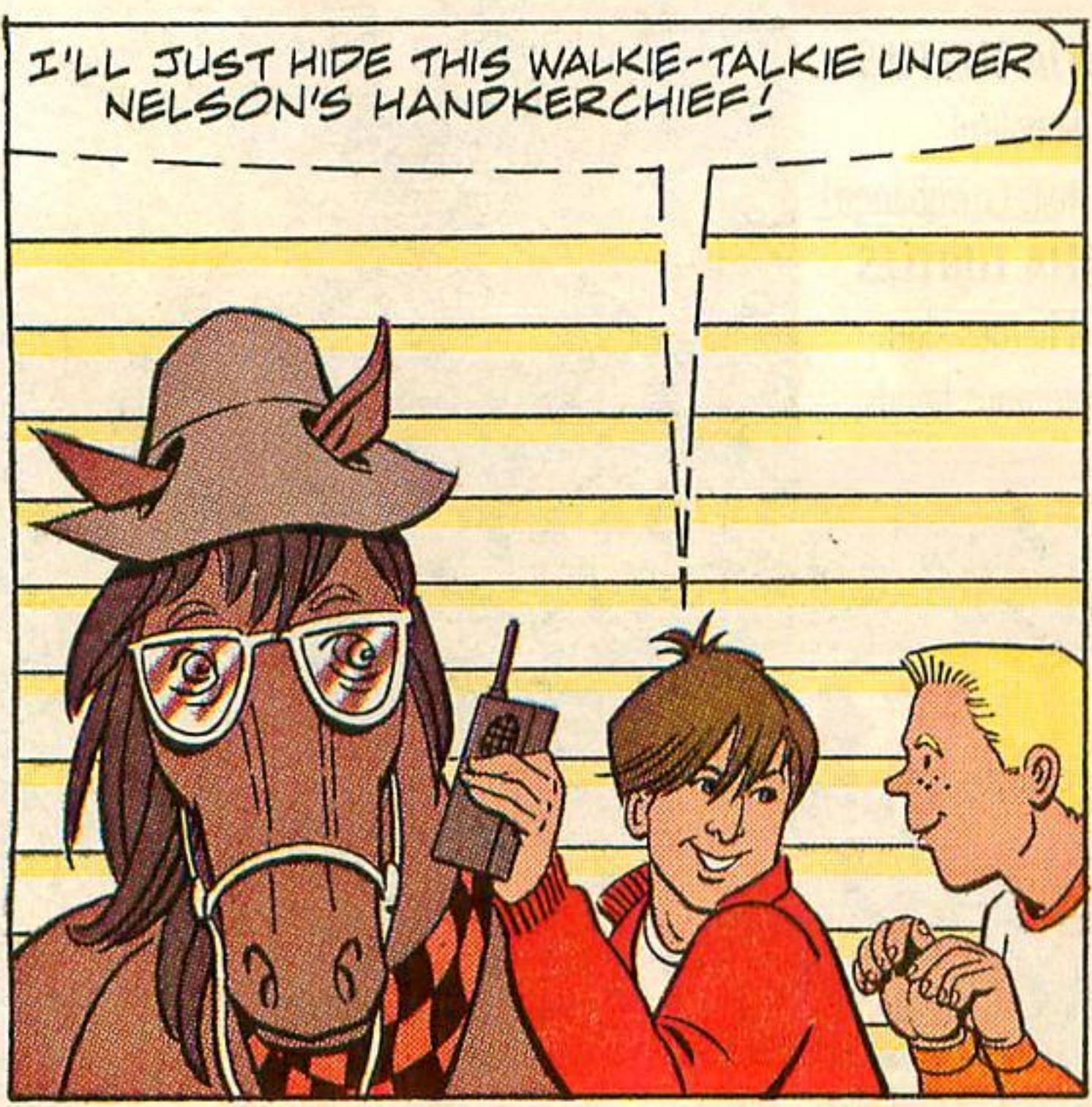
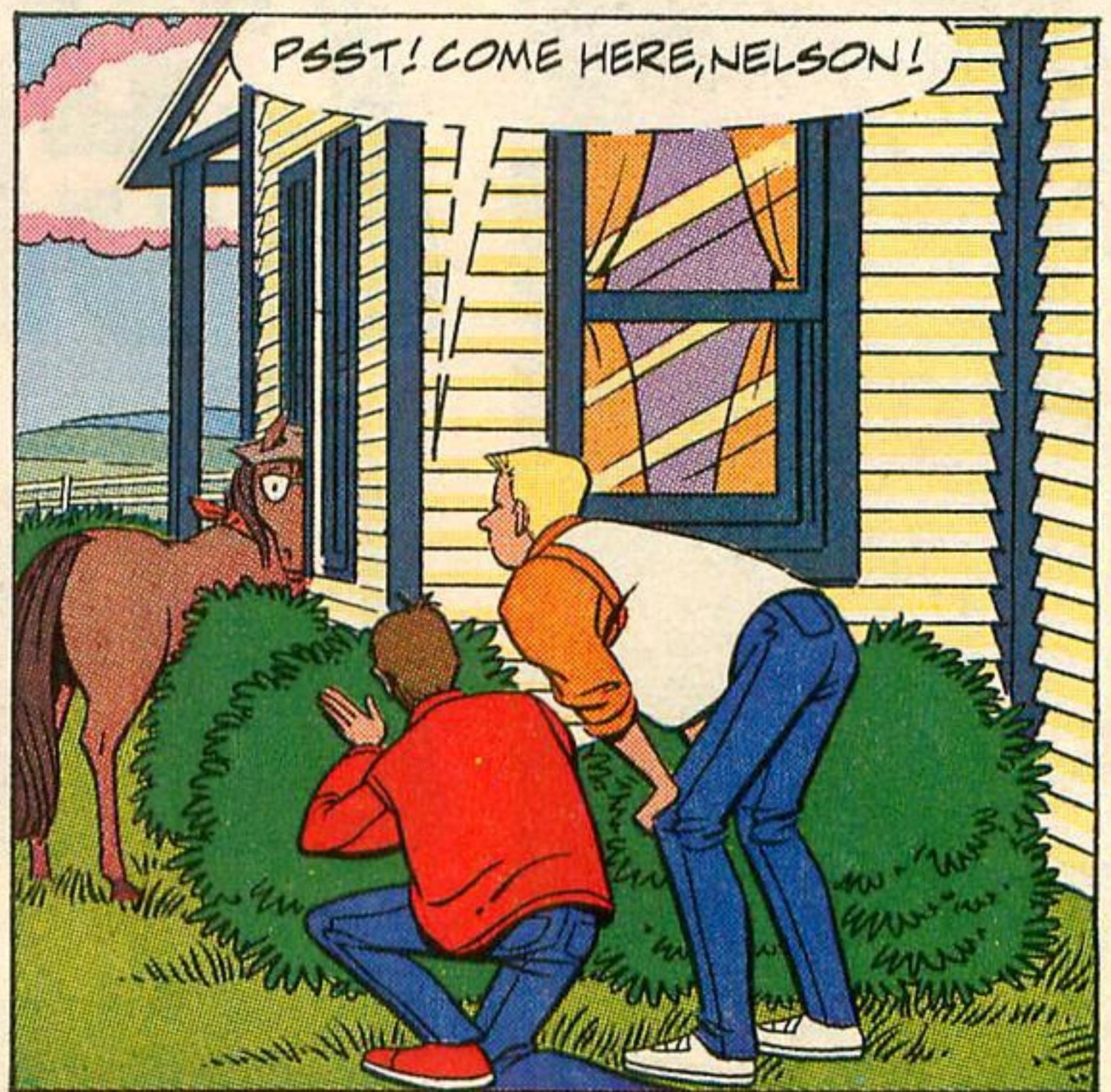
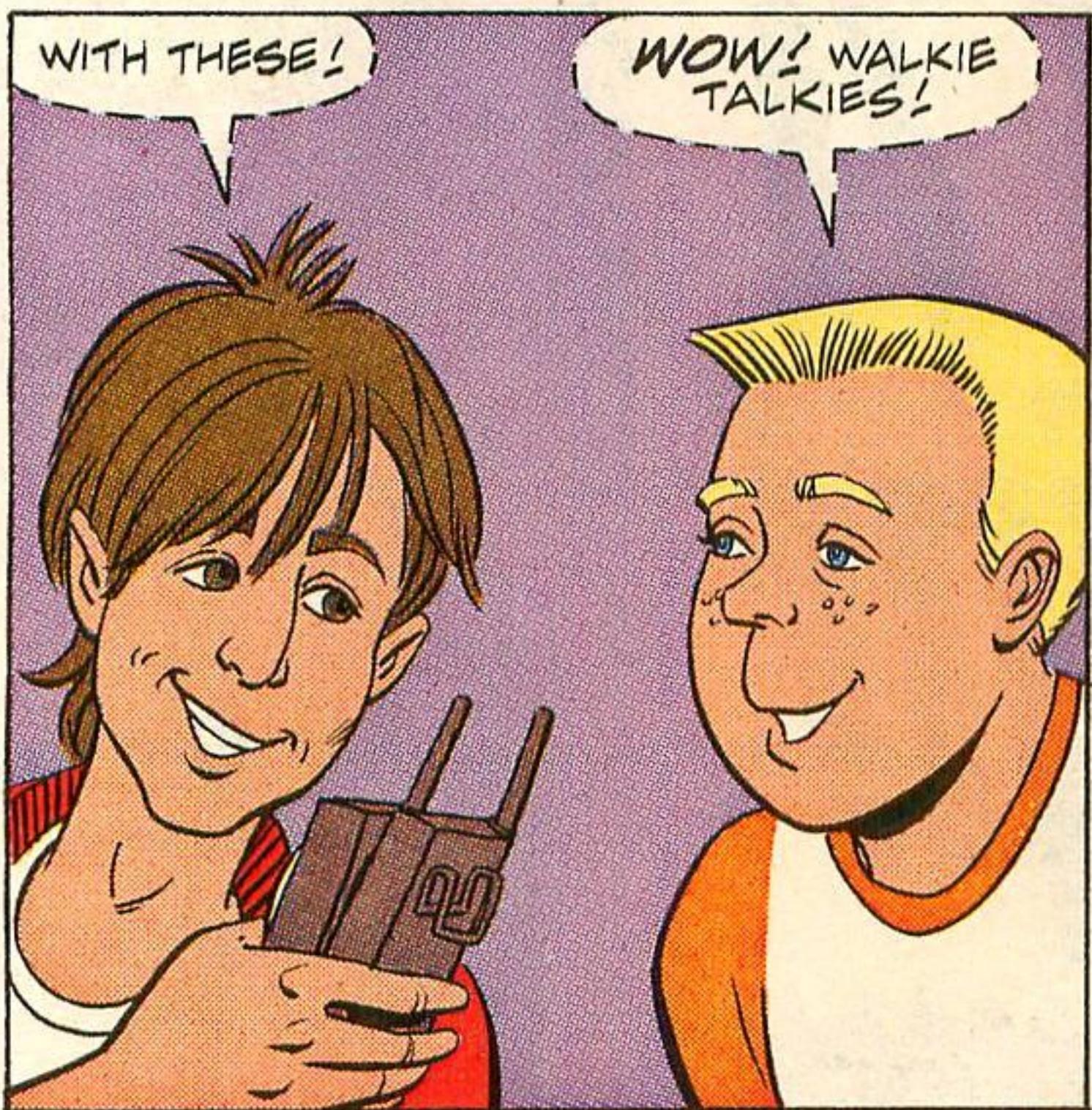
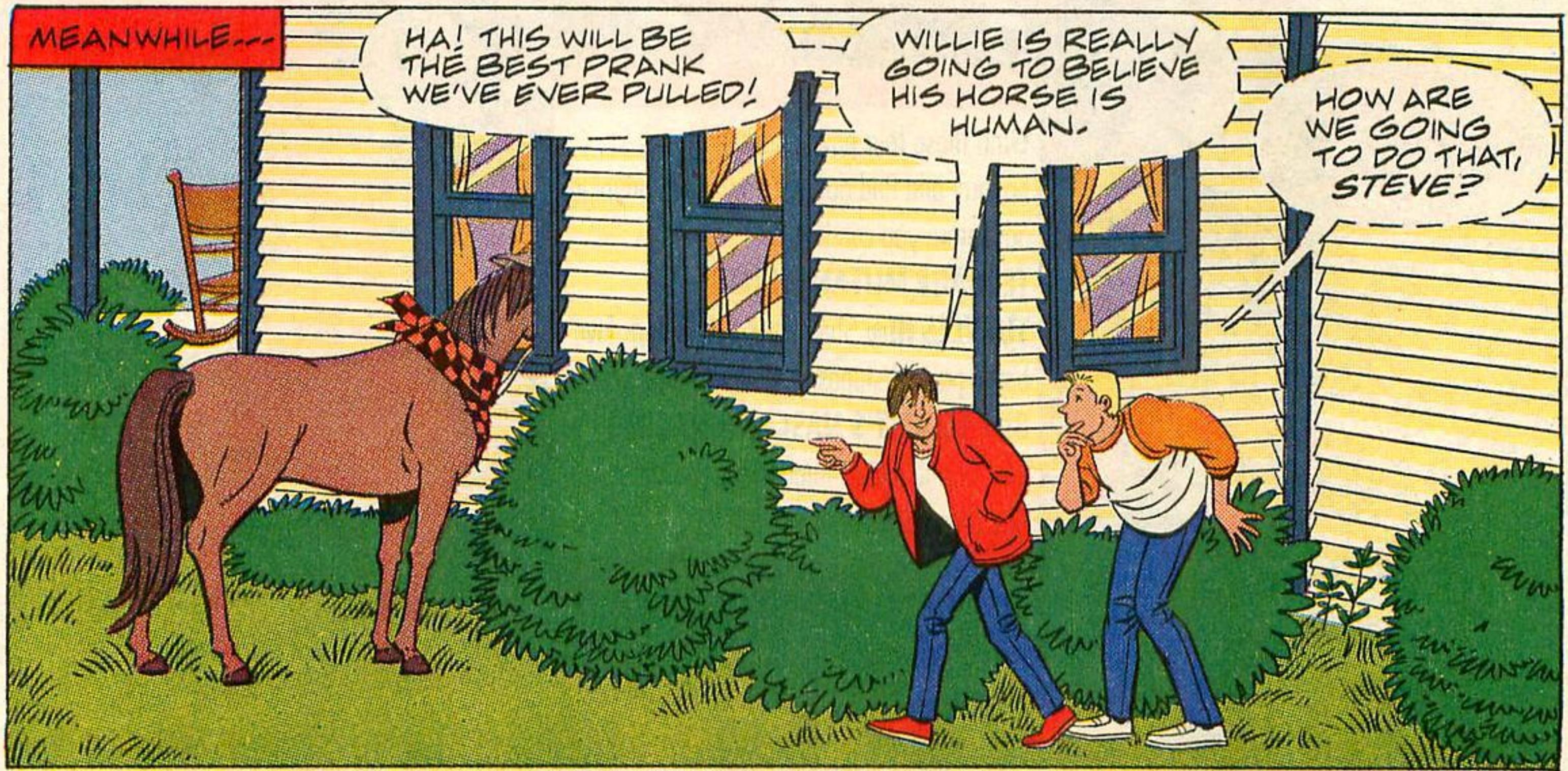
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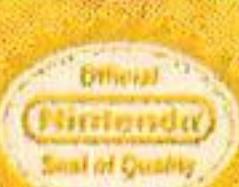
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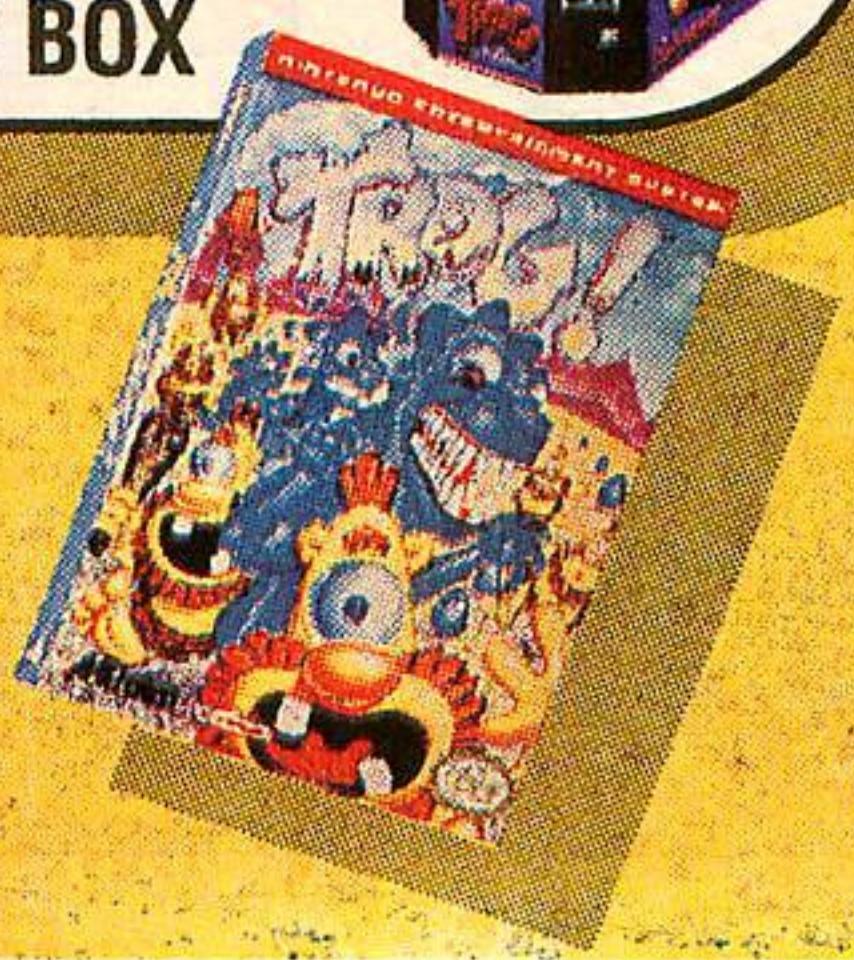


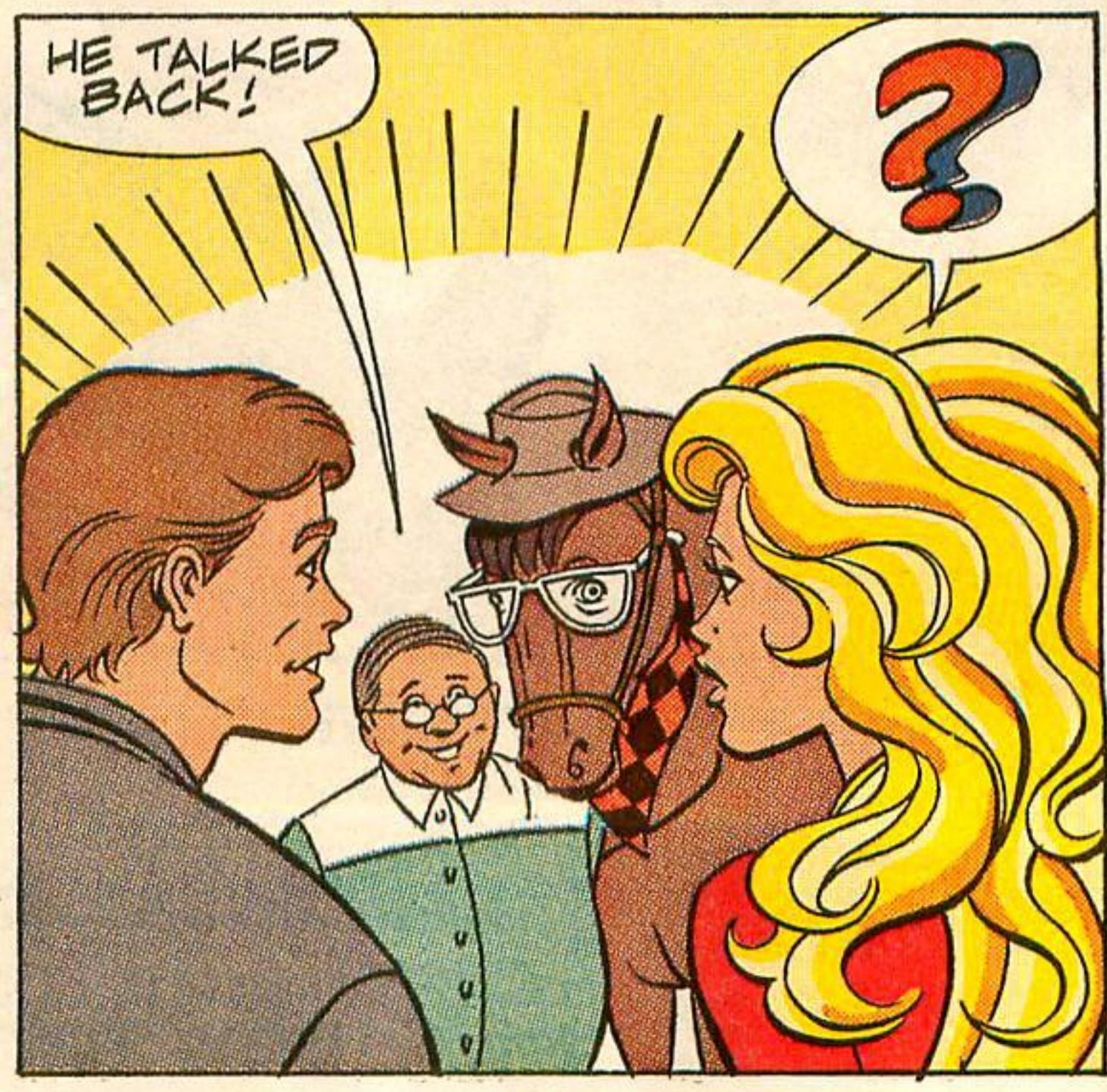
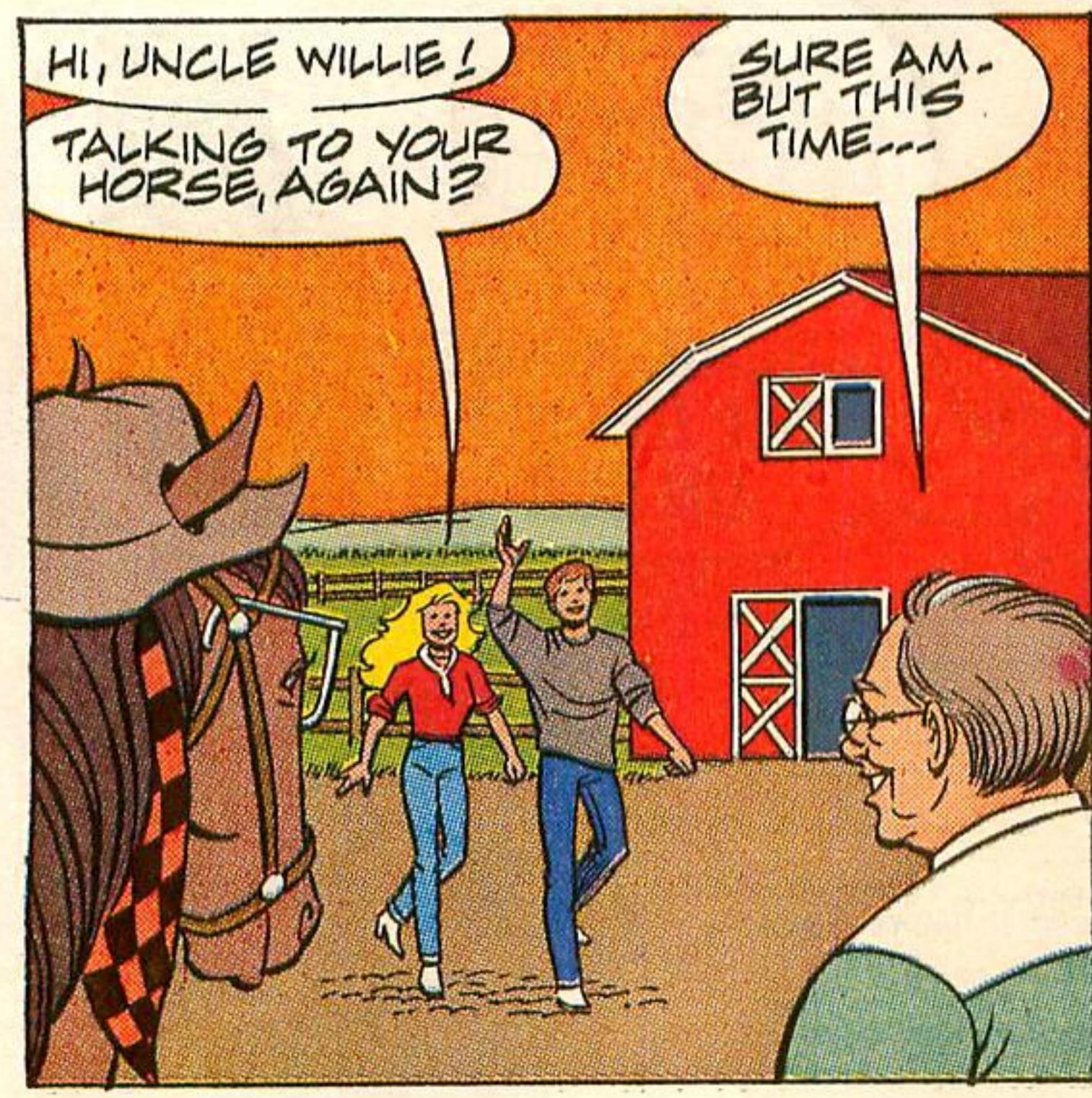
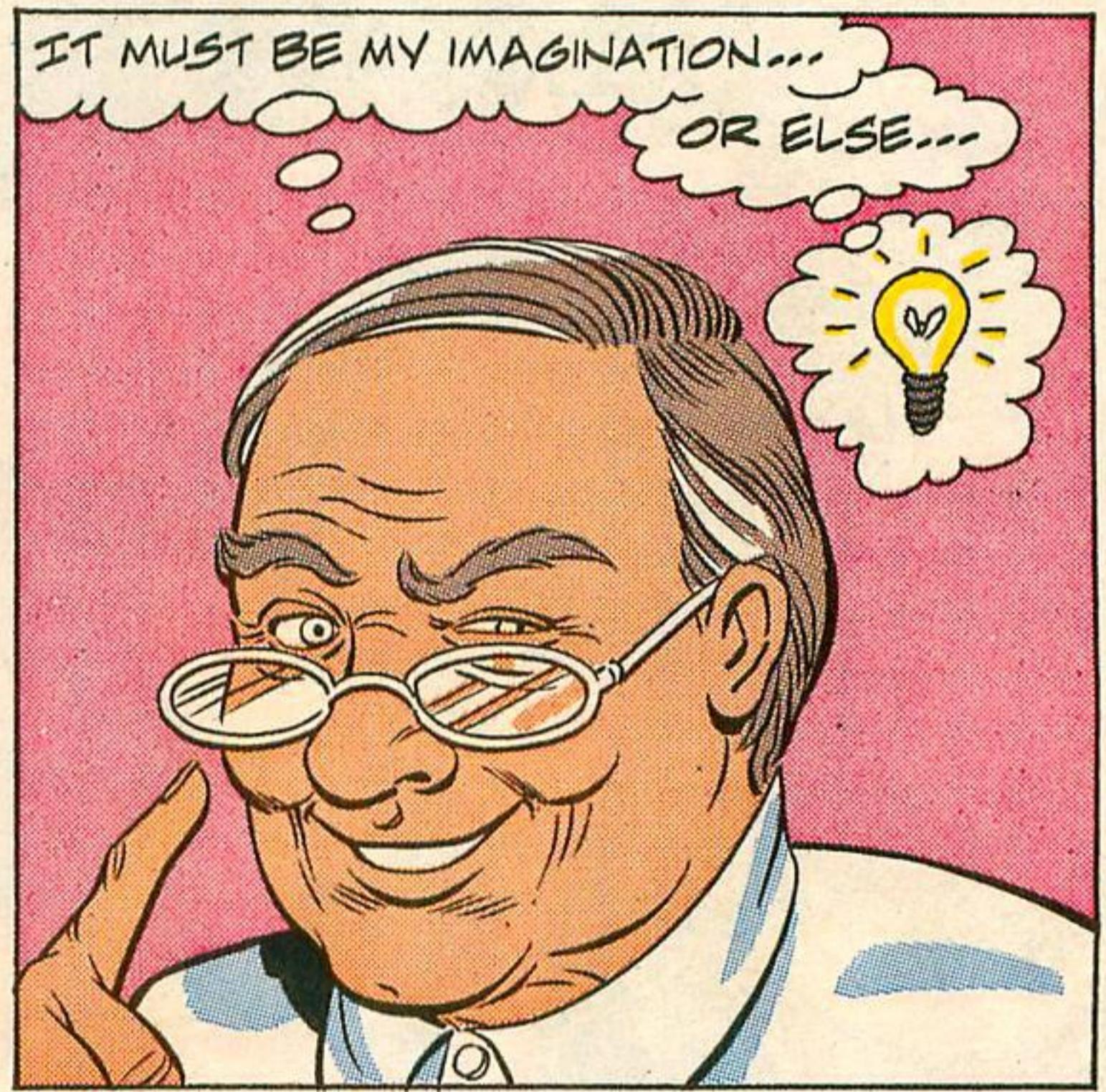
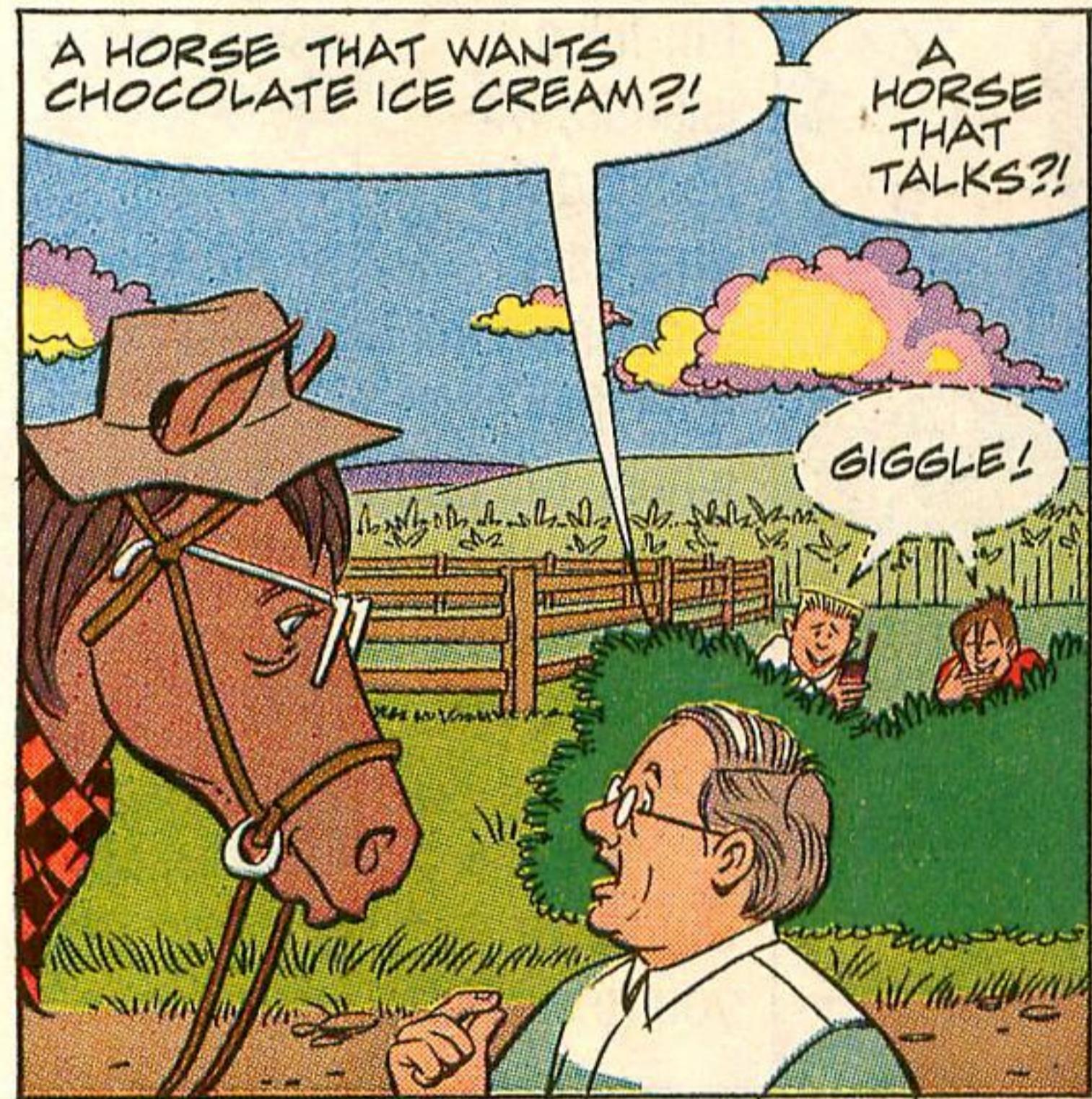
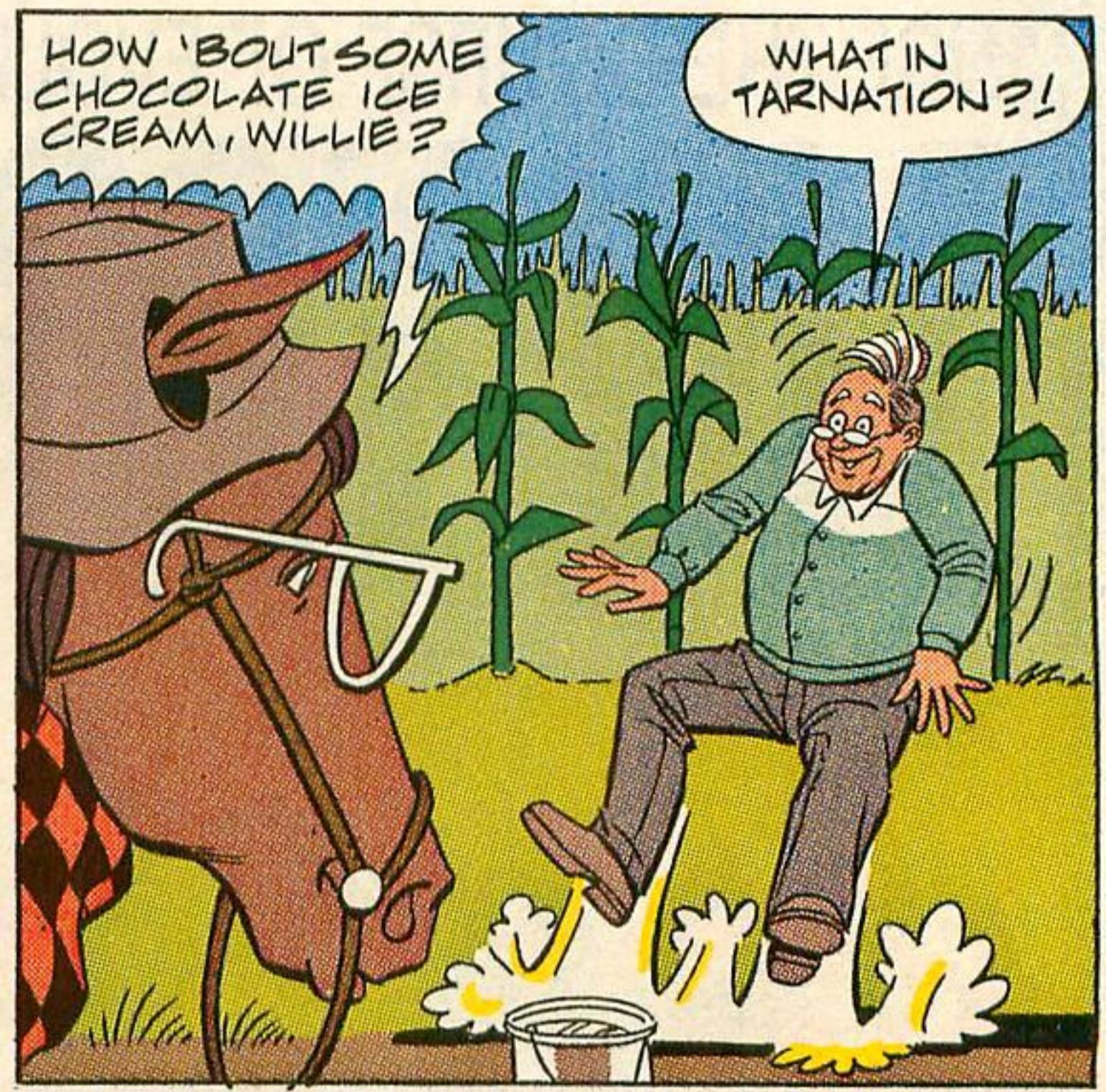
Munch on a pineapple and become a Trog-stompin' T-Rex!

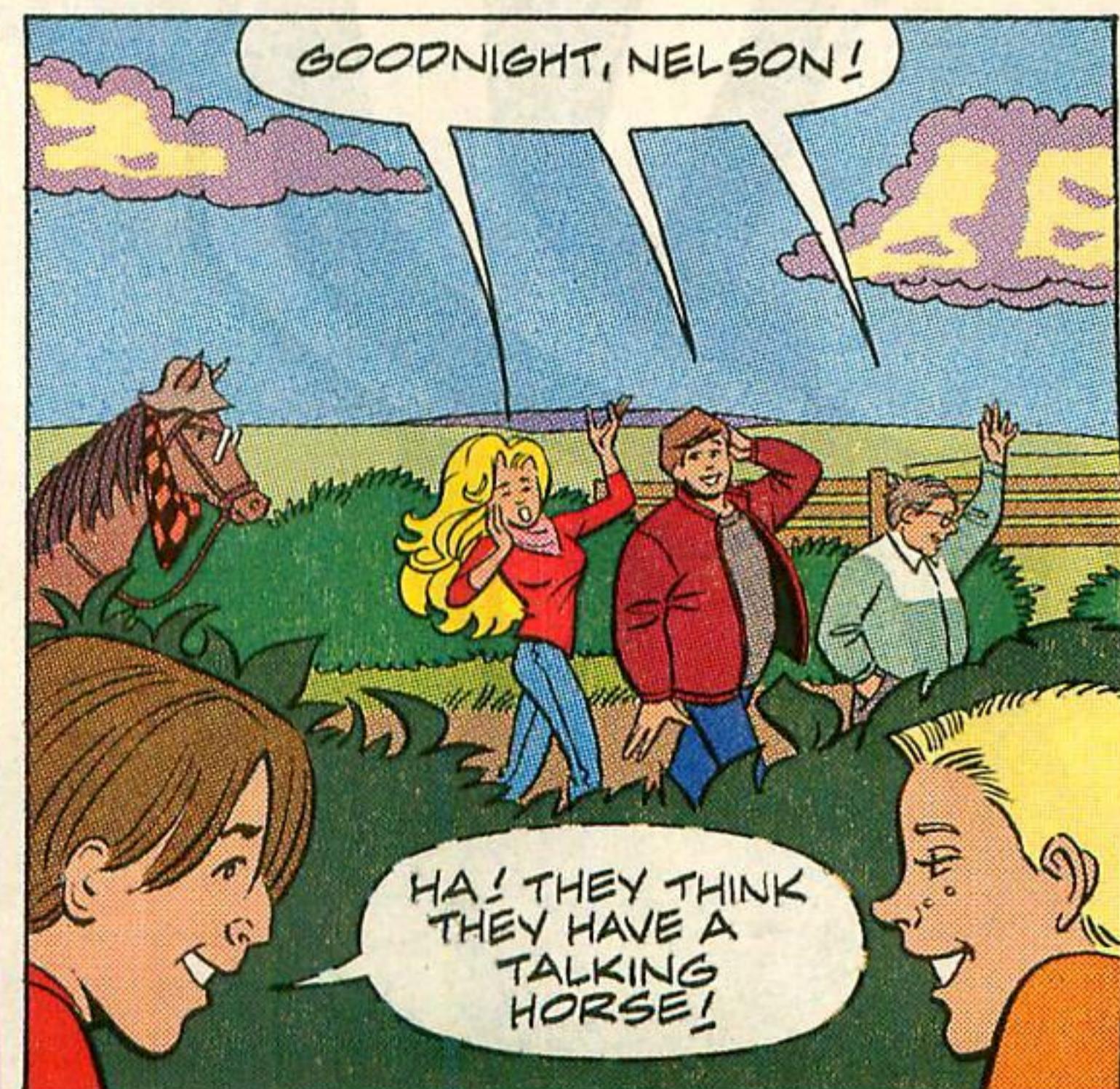
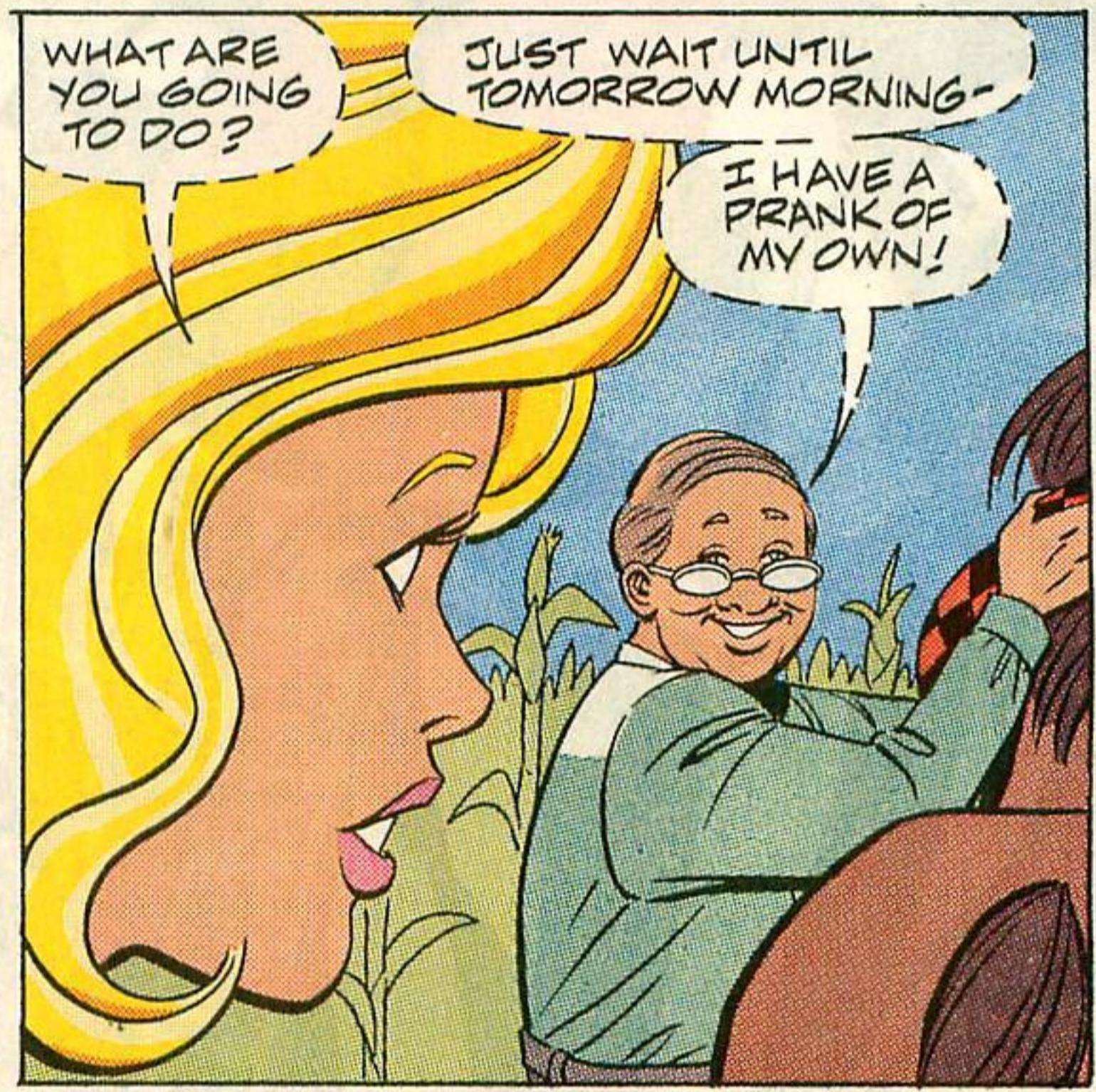
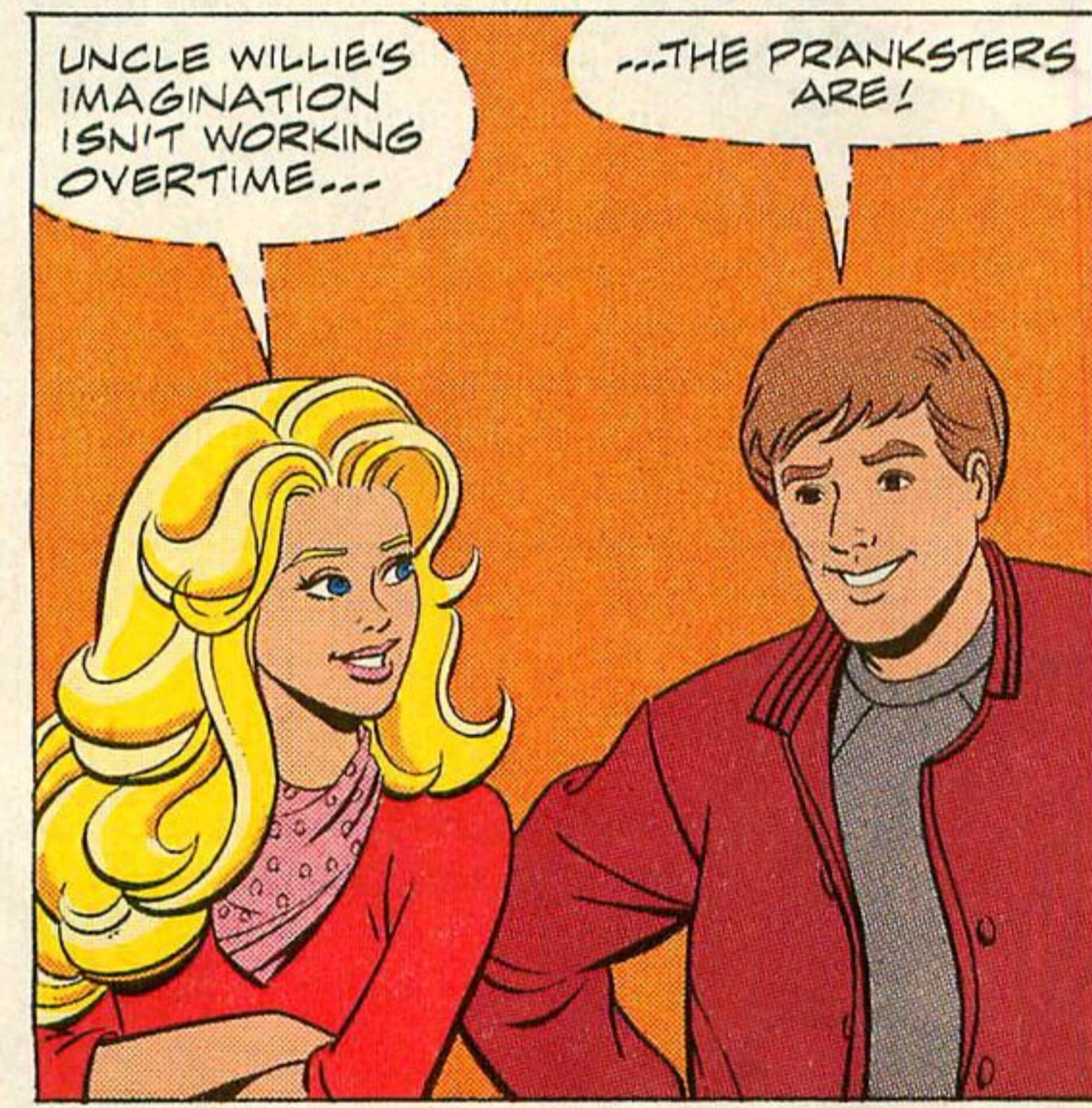
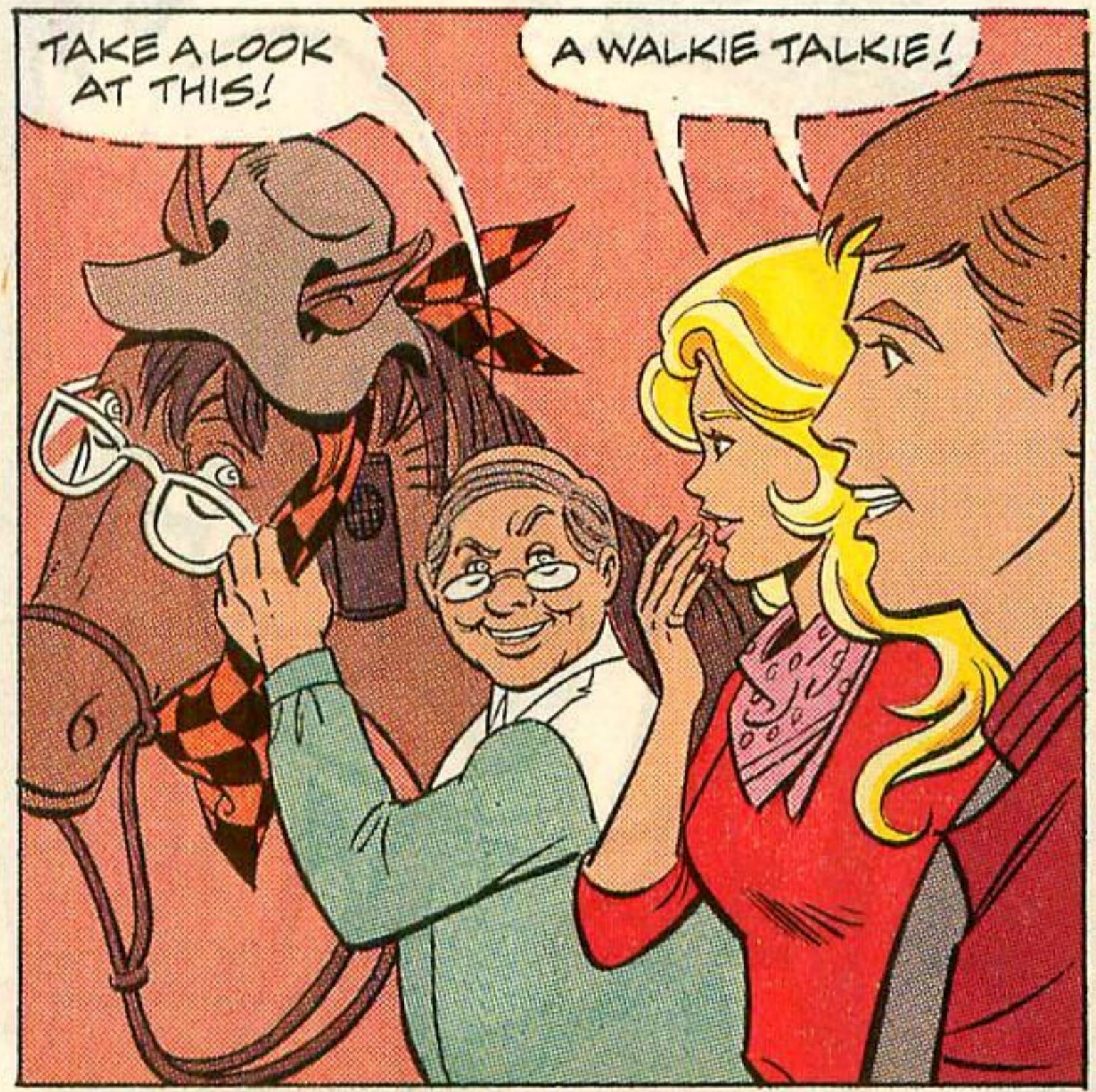


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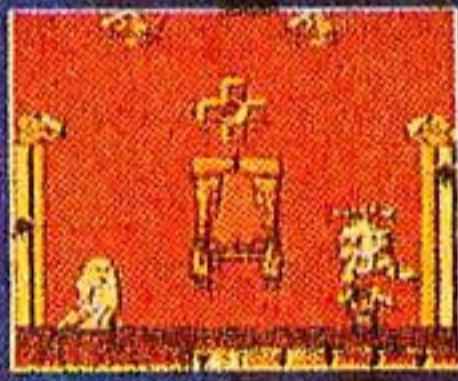
These Neitherworld ghoul-o-ramas are no match for us. Has the "ghost with the most" ever let you down??!



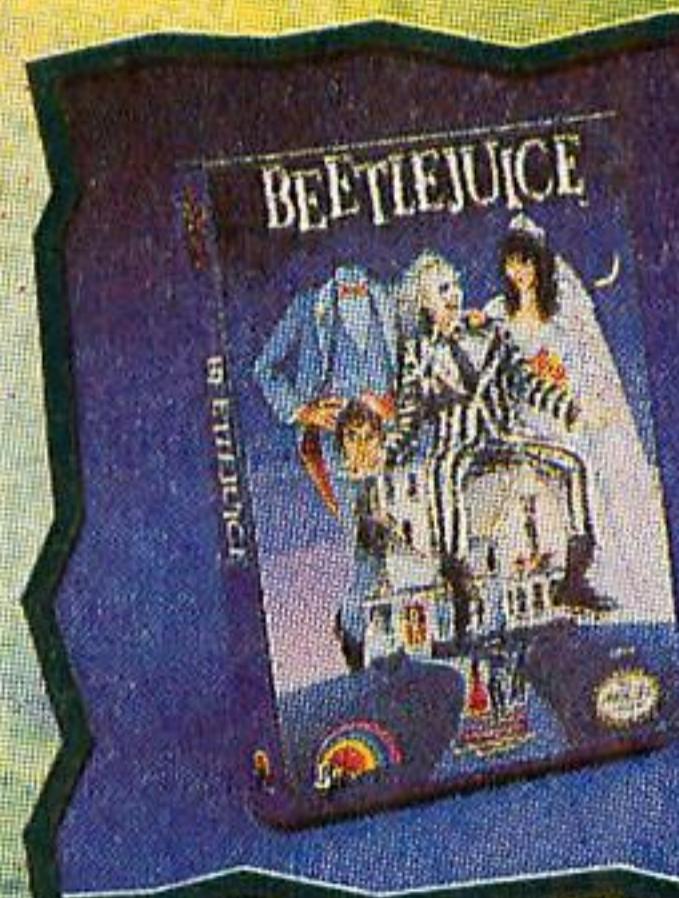
Graveyard Mix-up!



Neitherworld Pogosnake!



Funny face scare-off!



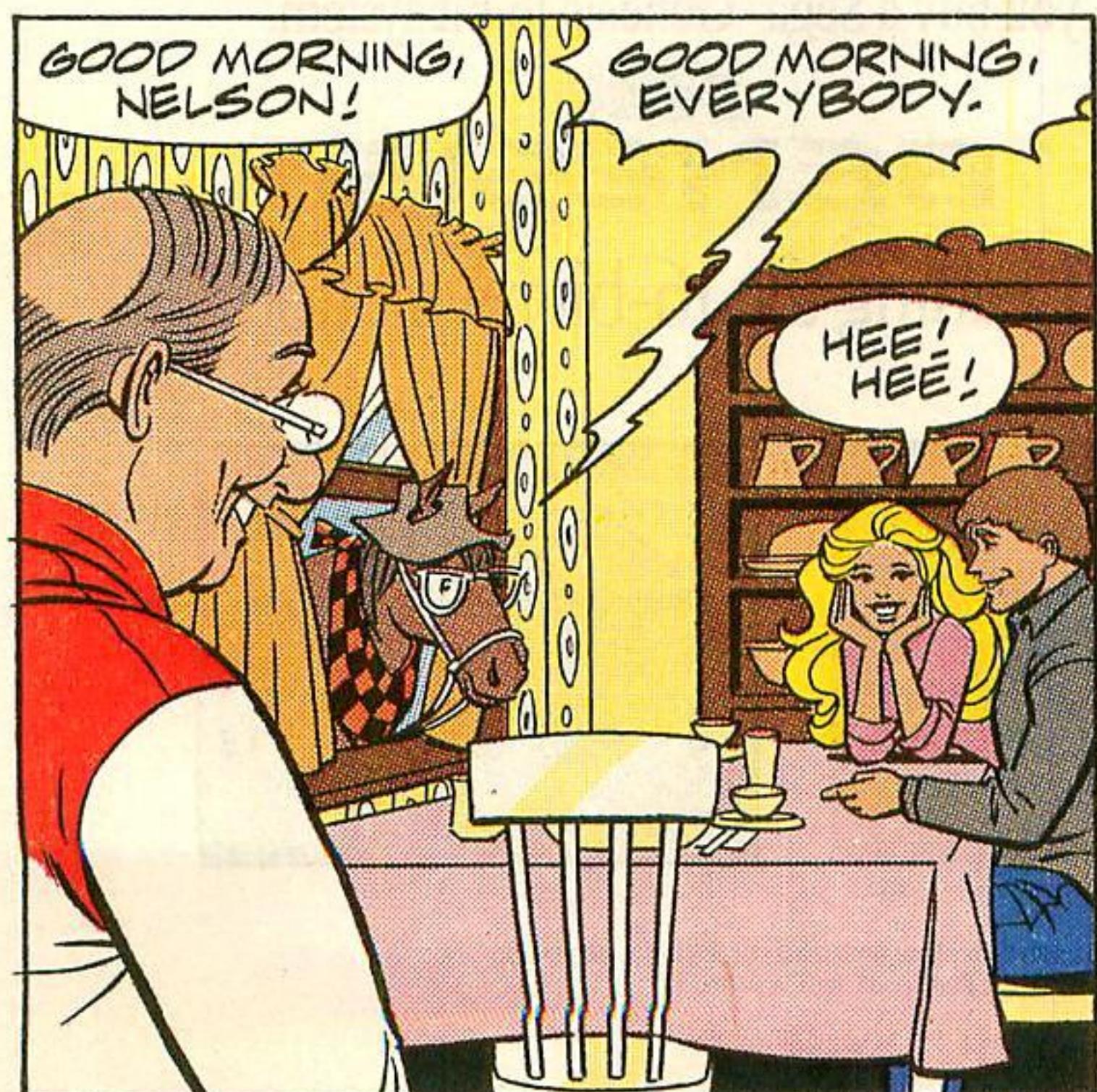
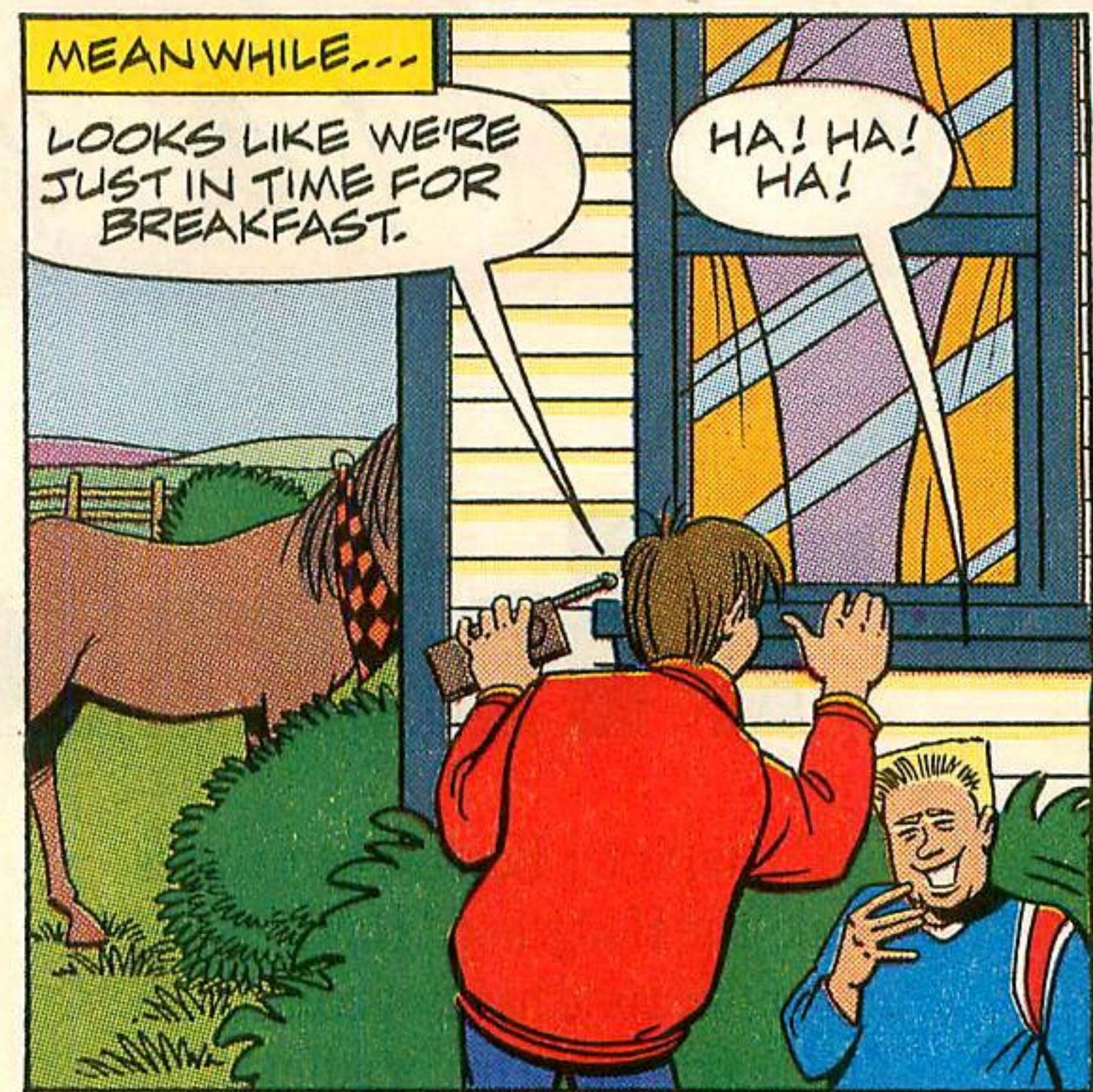
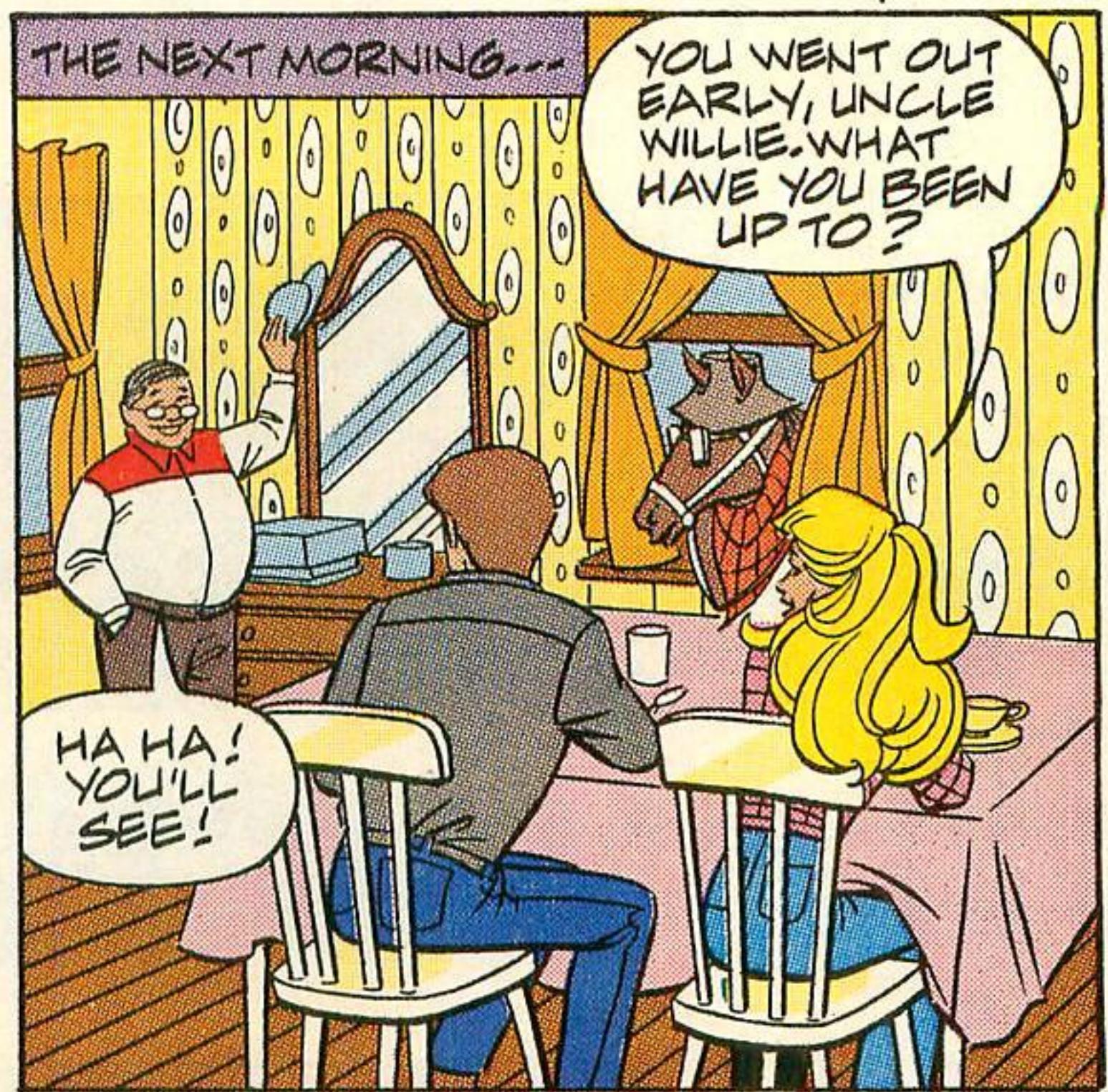
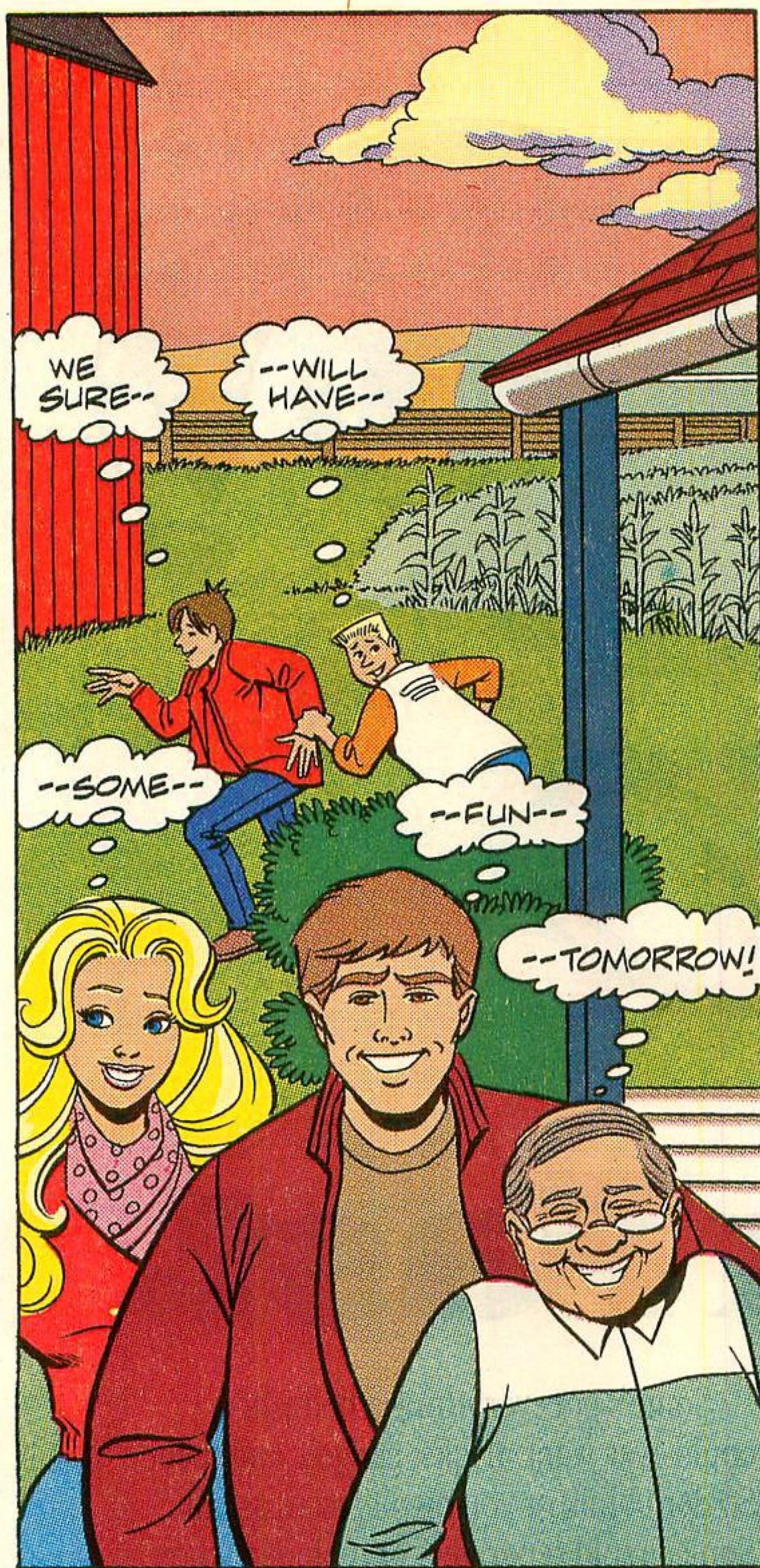
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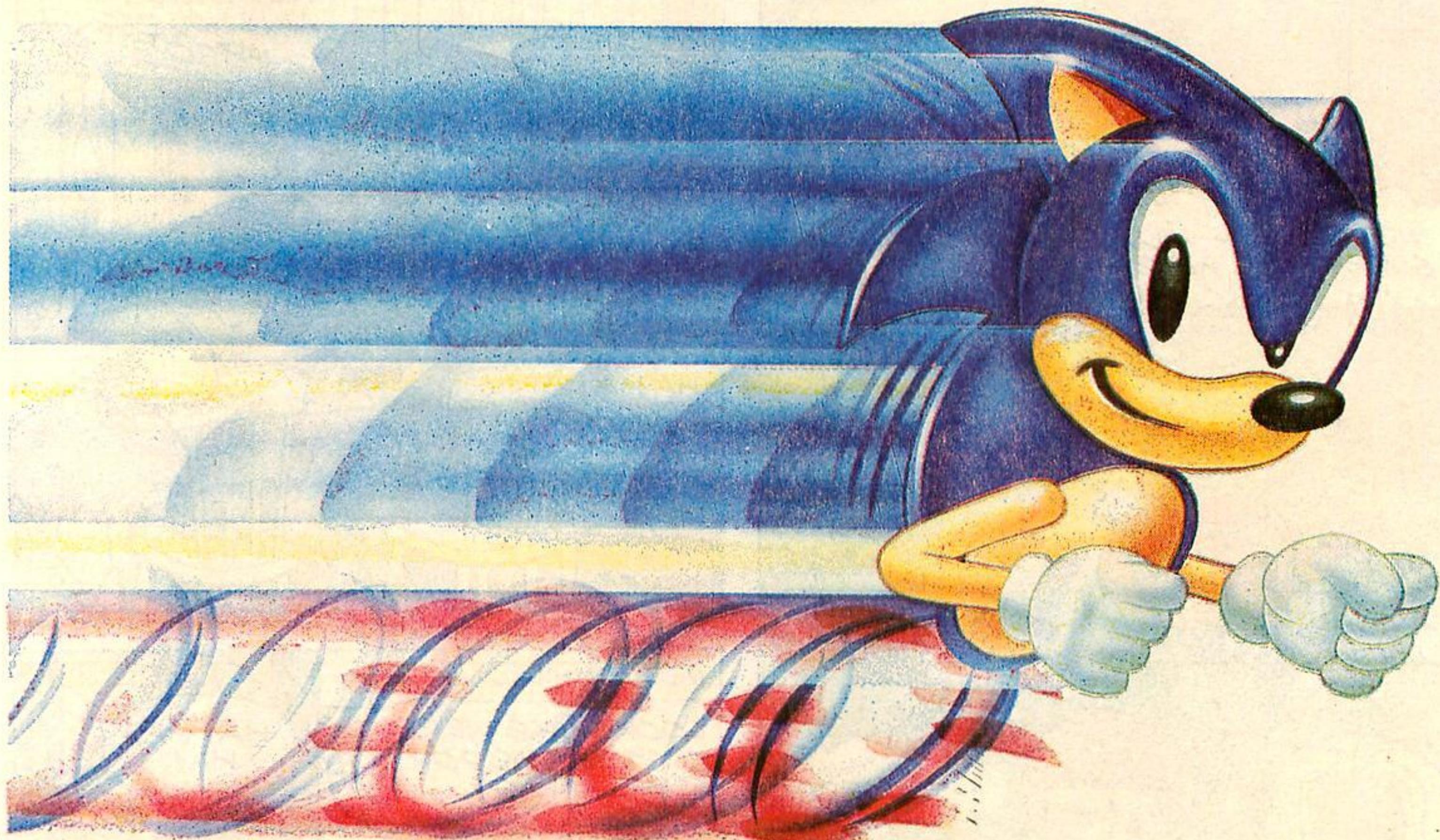


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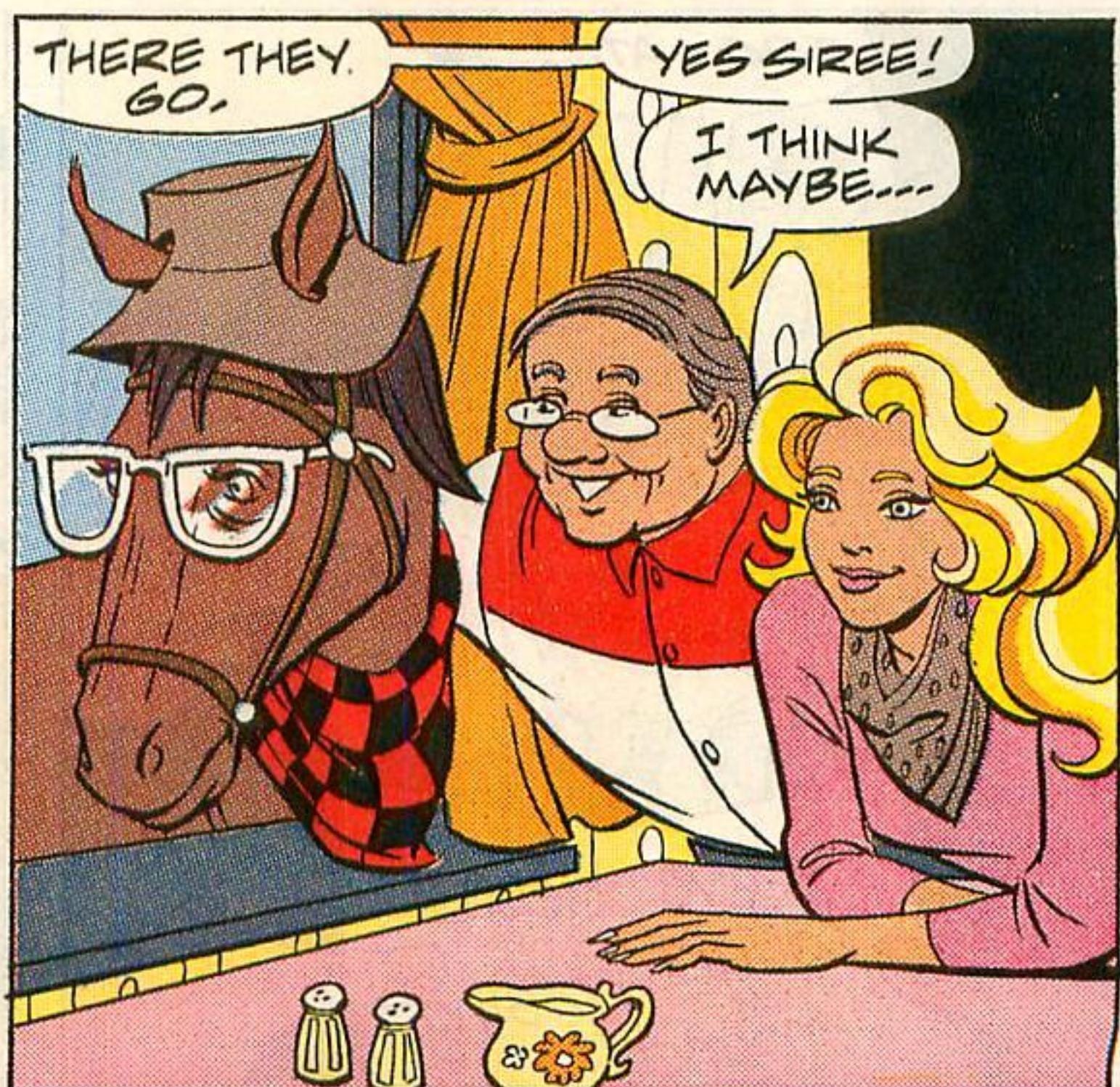
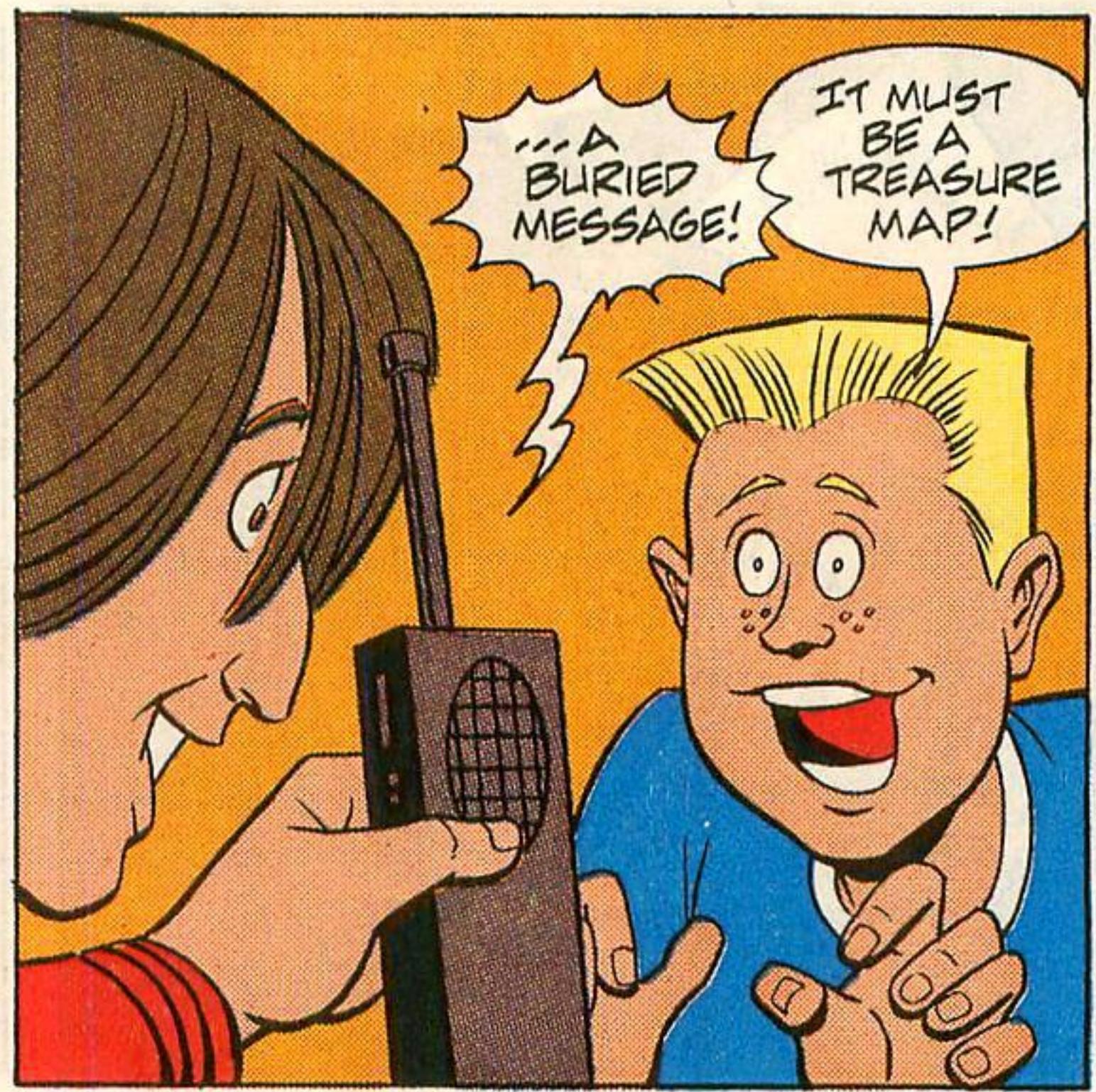
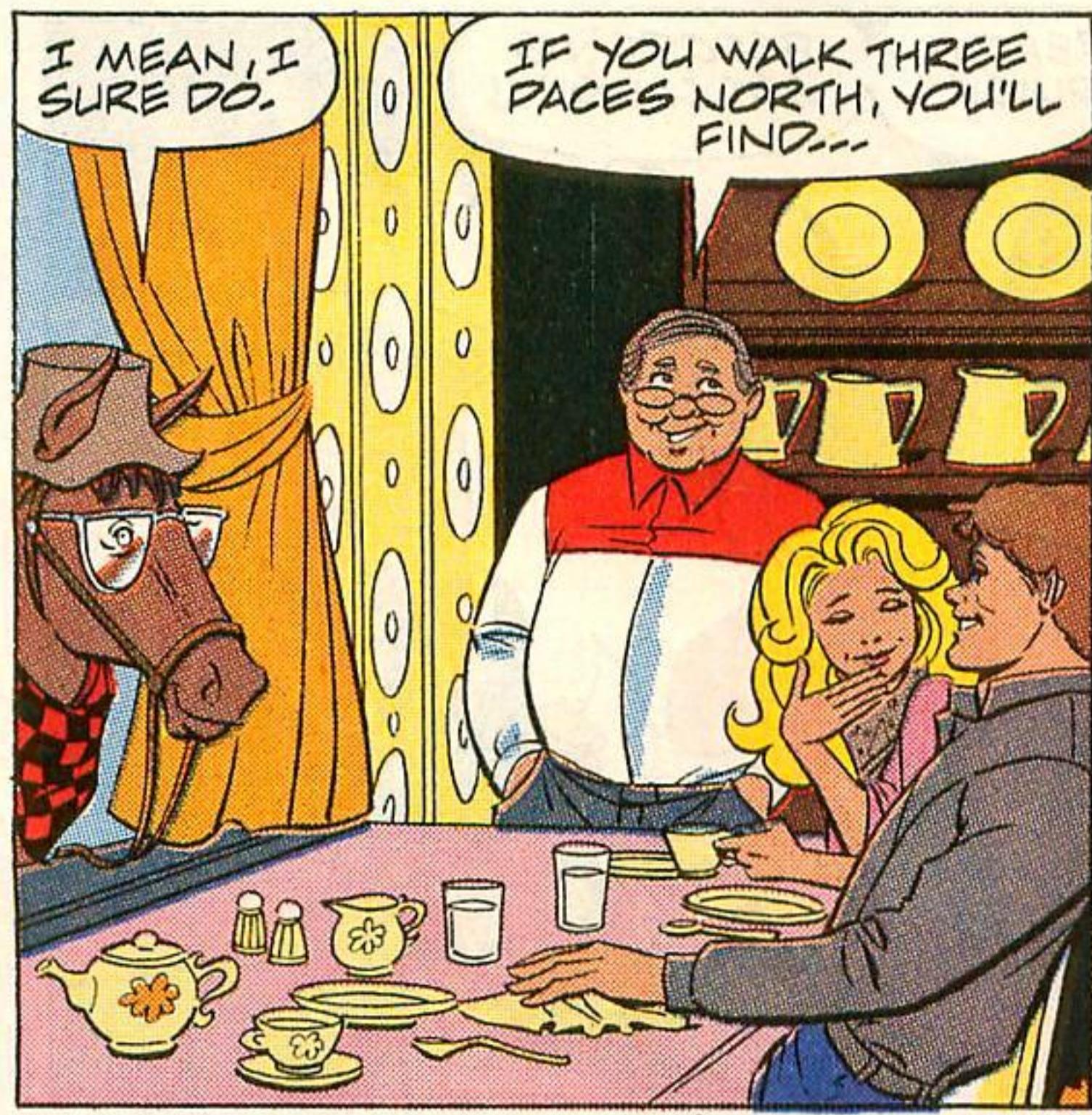
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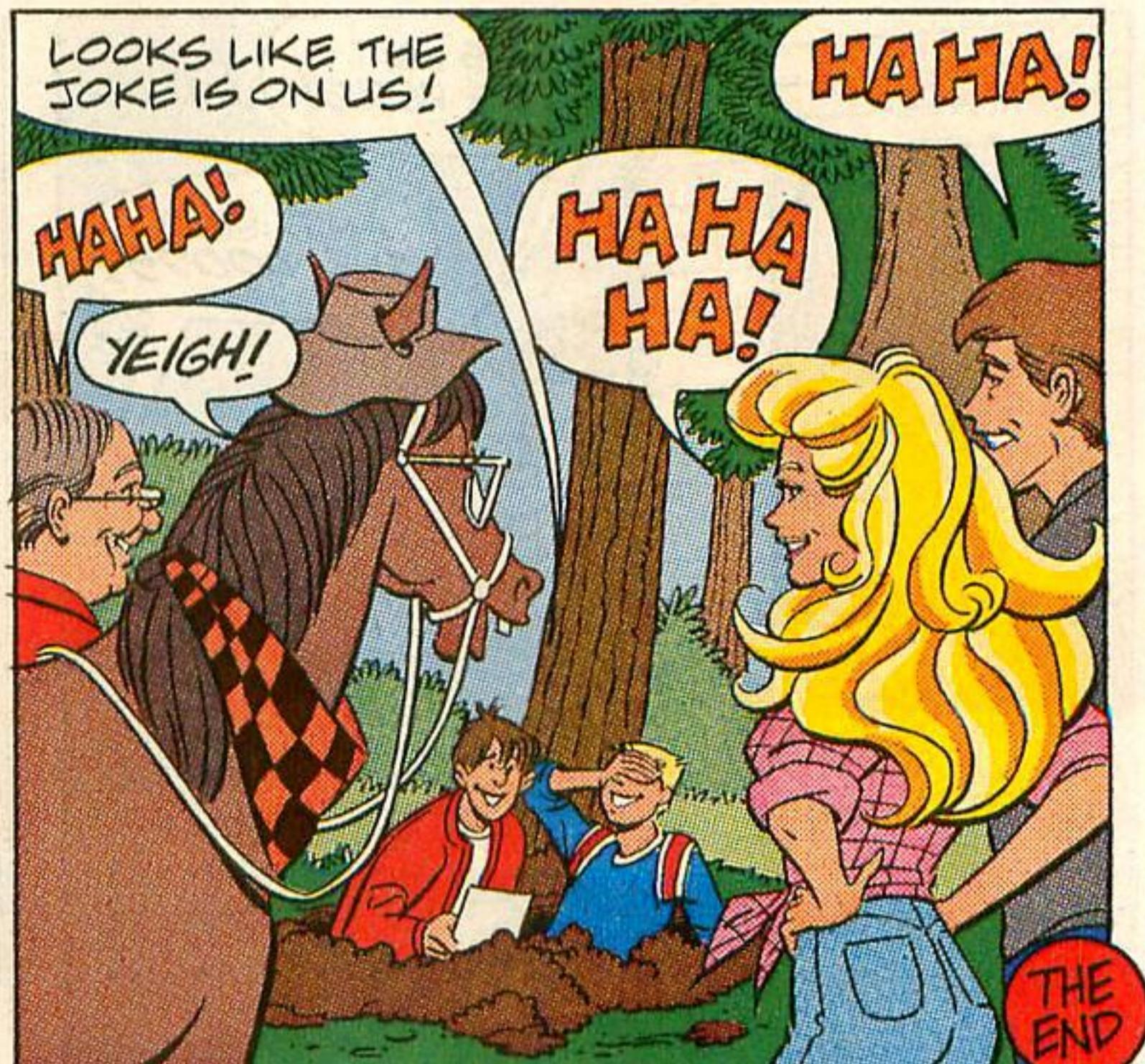
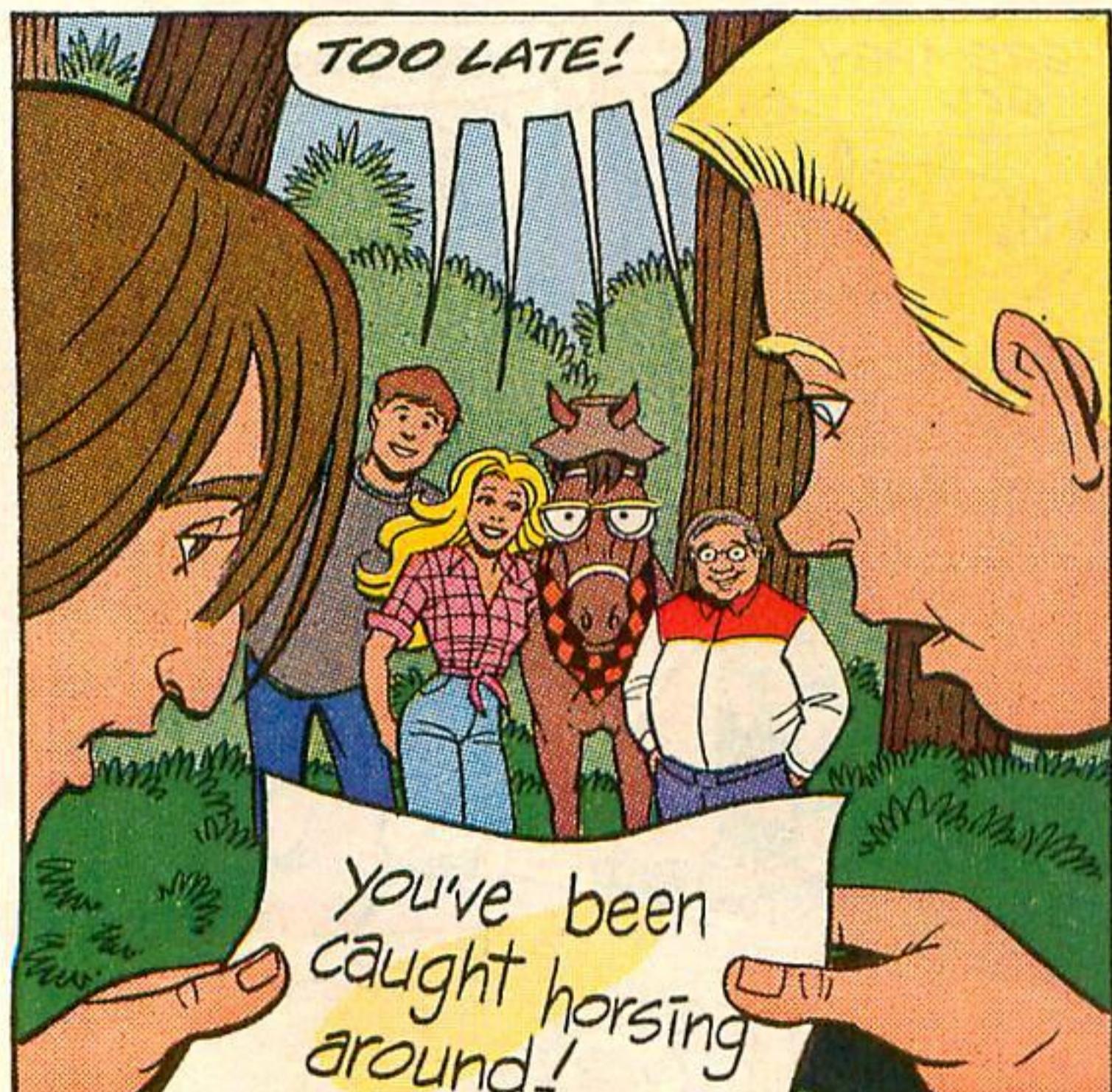
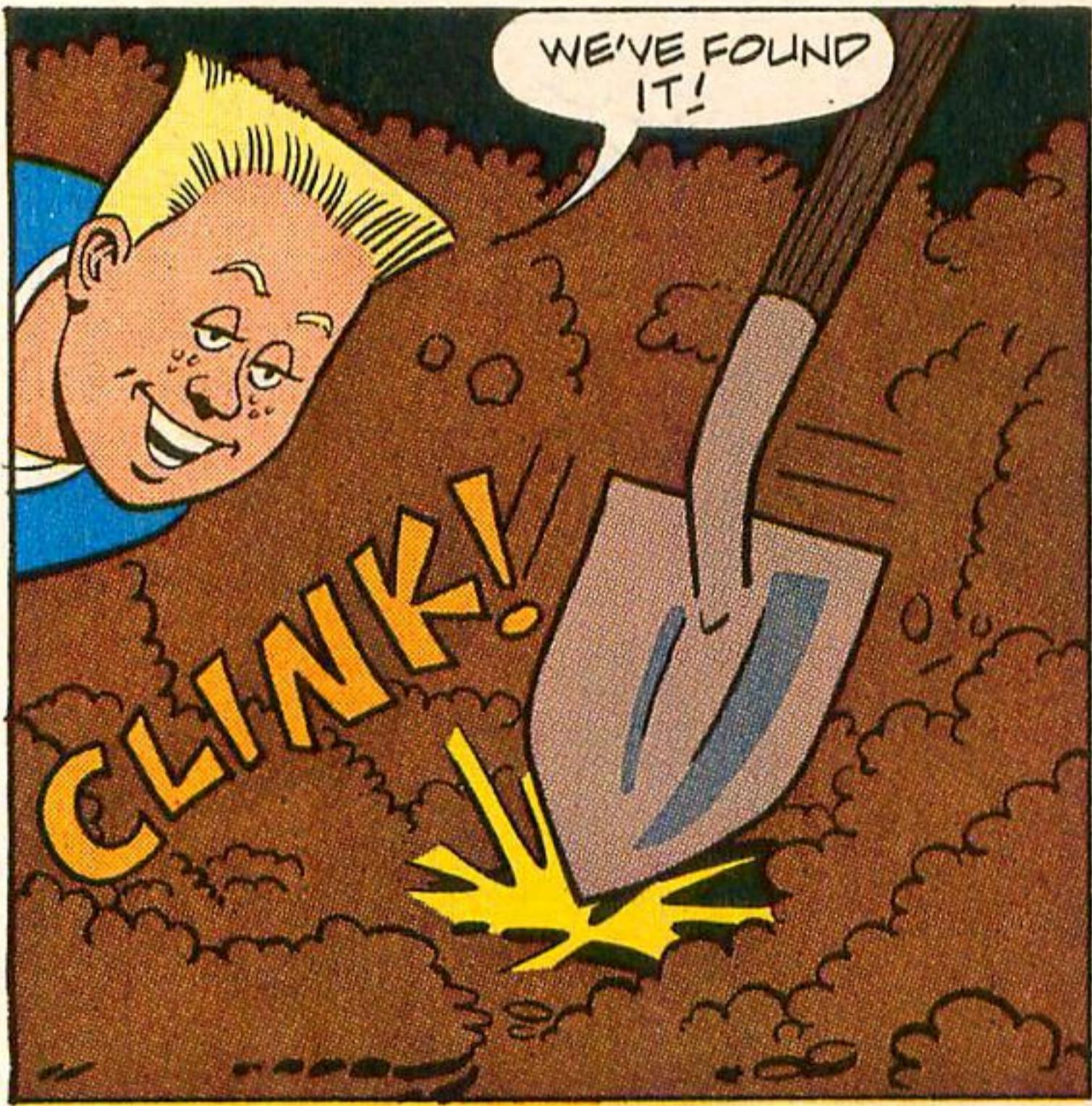
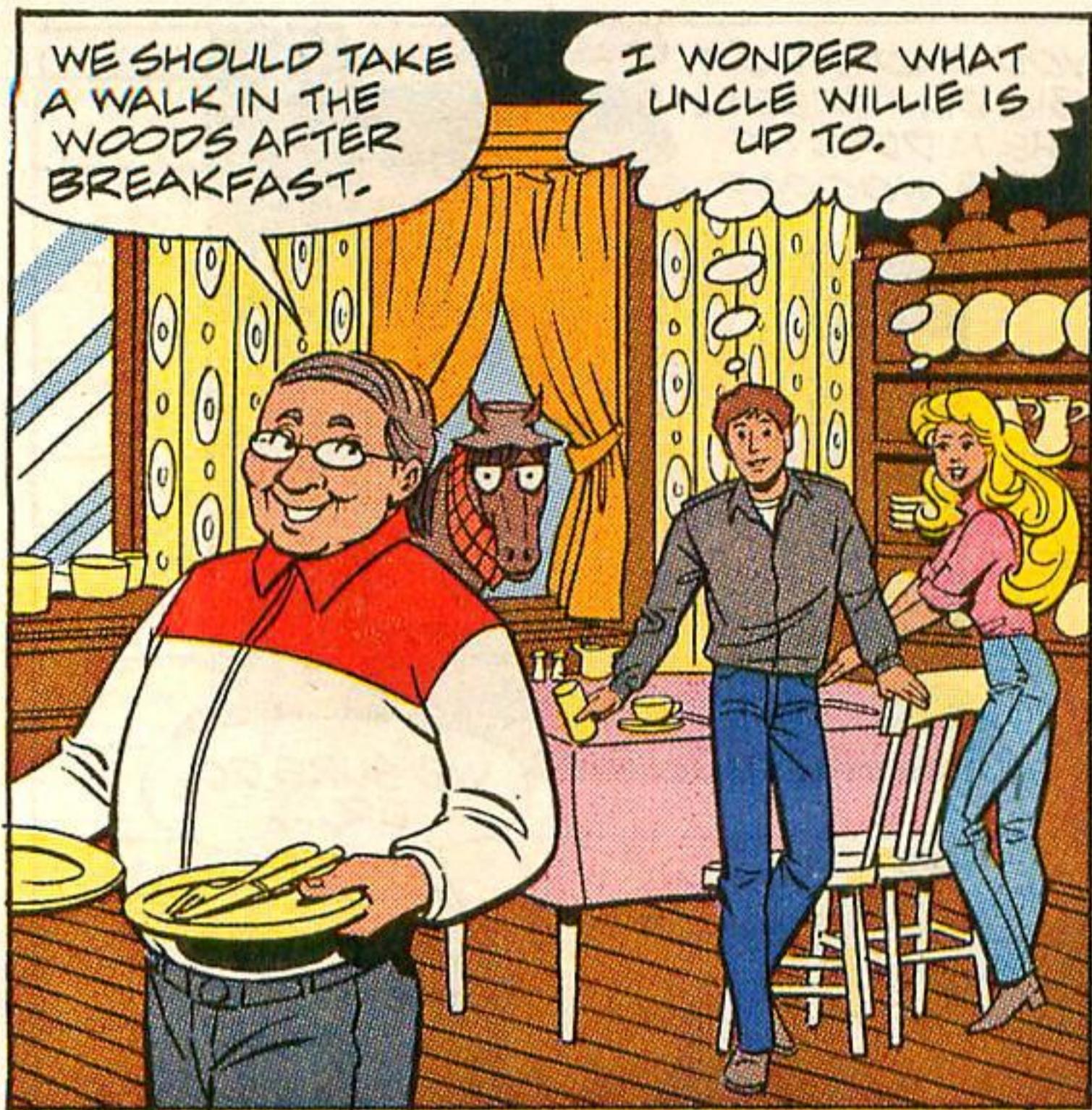
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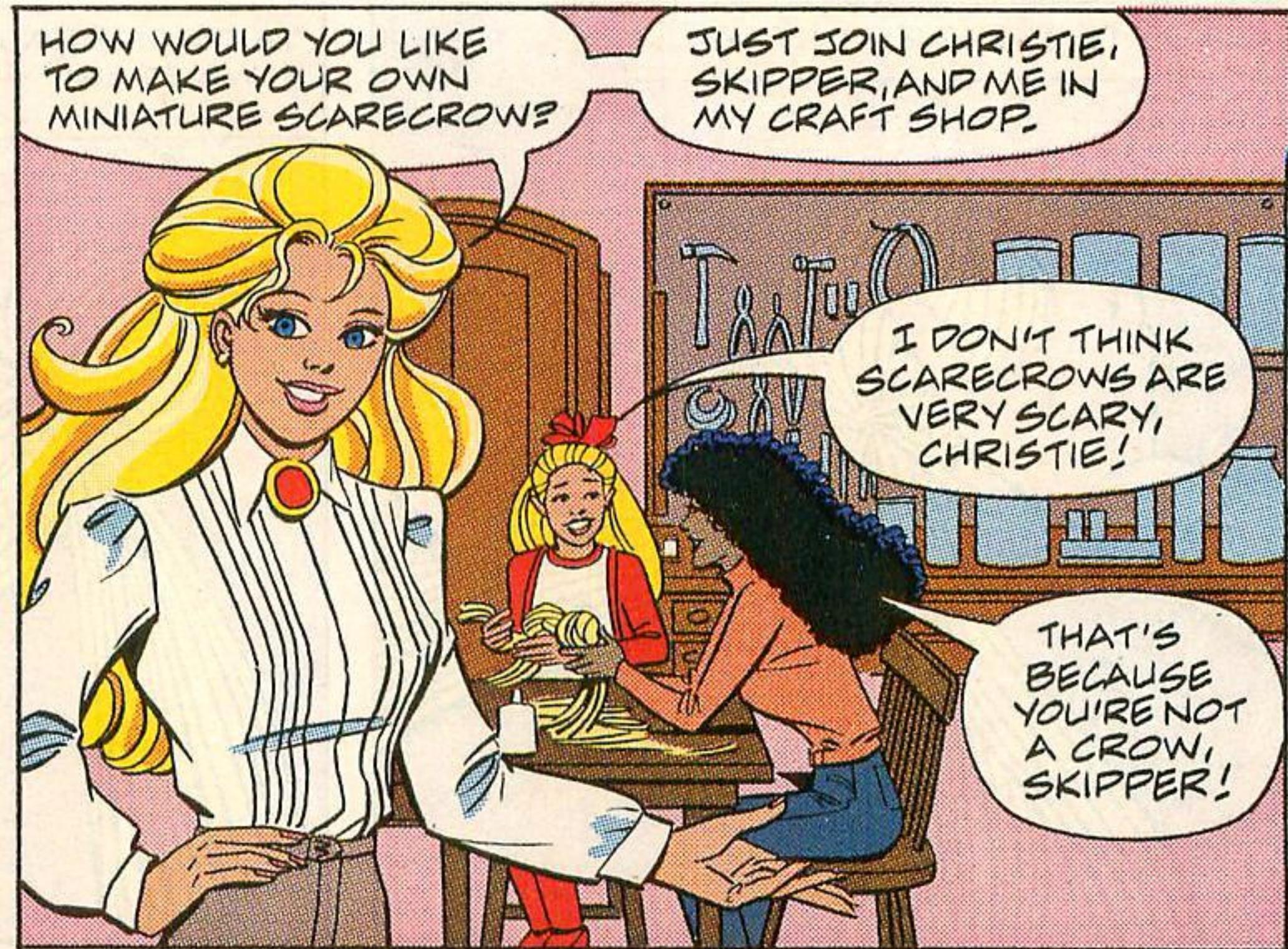




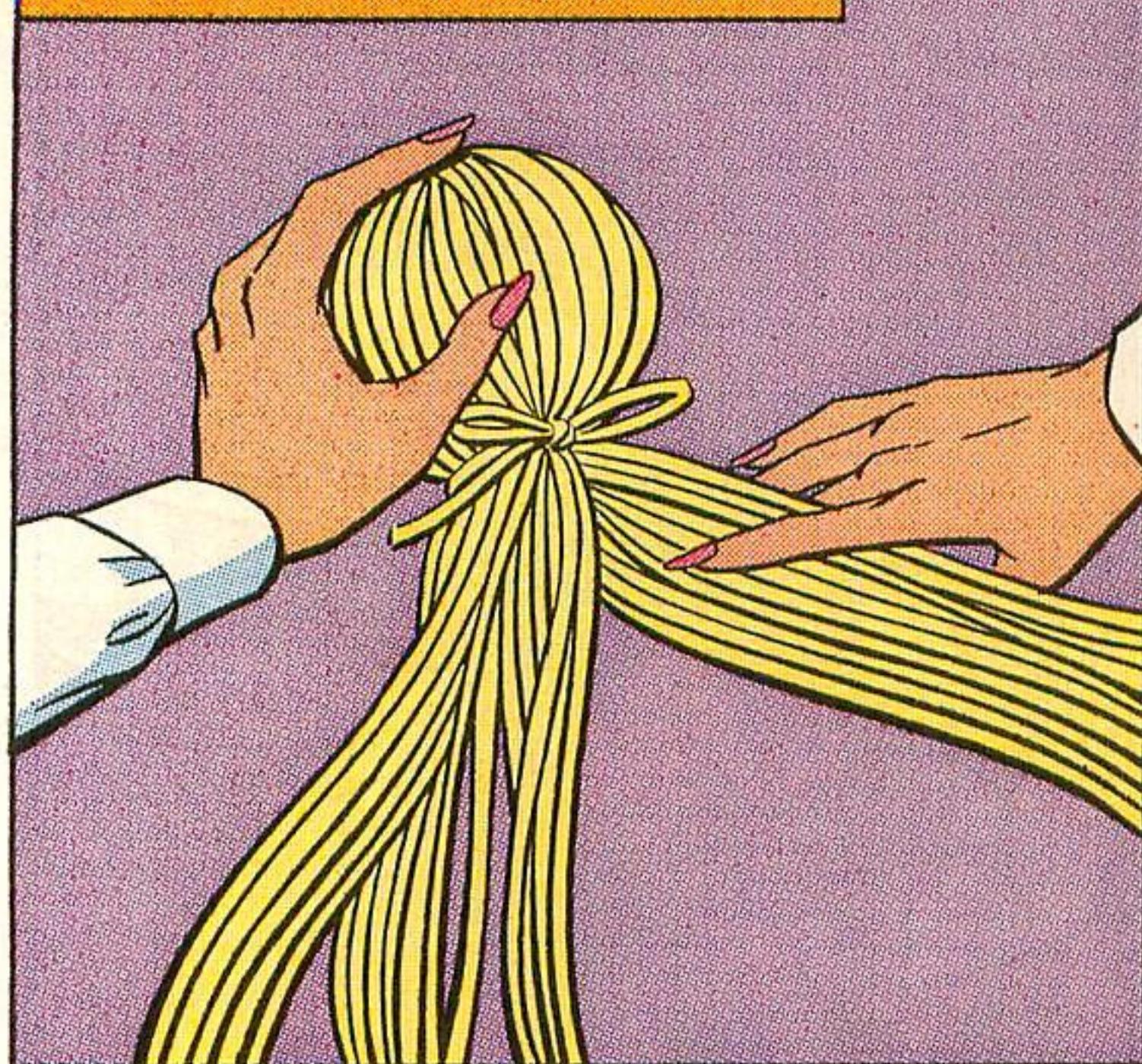
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Make a Scarecrow!

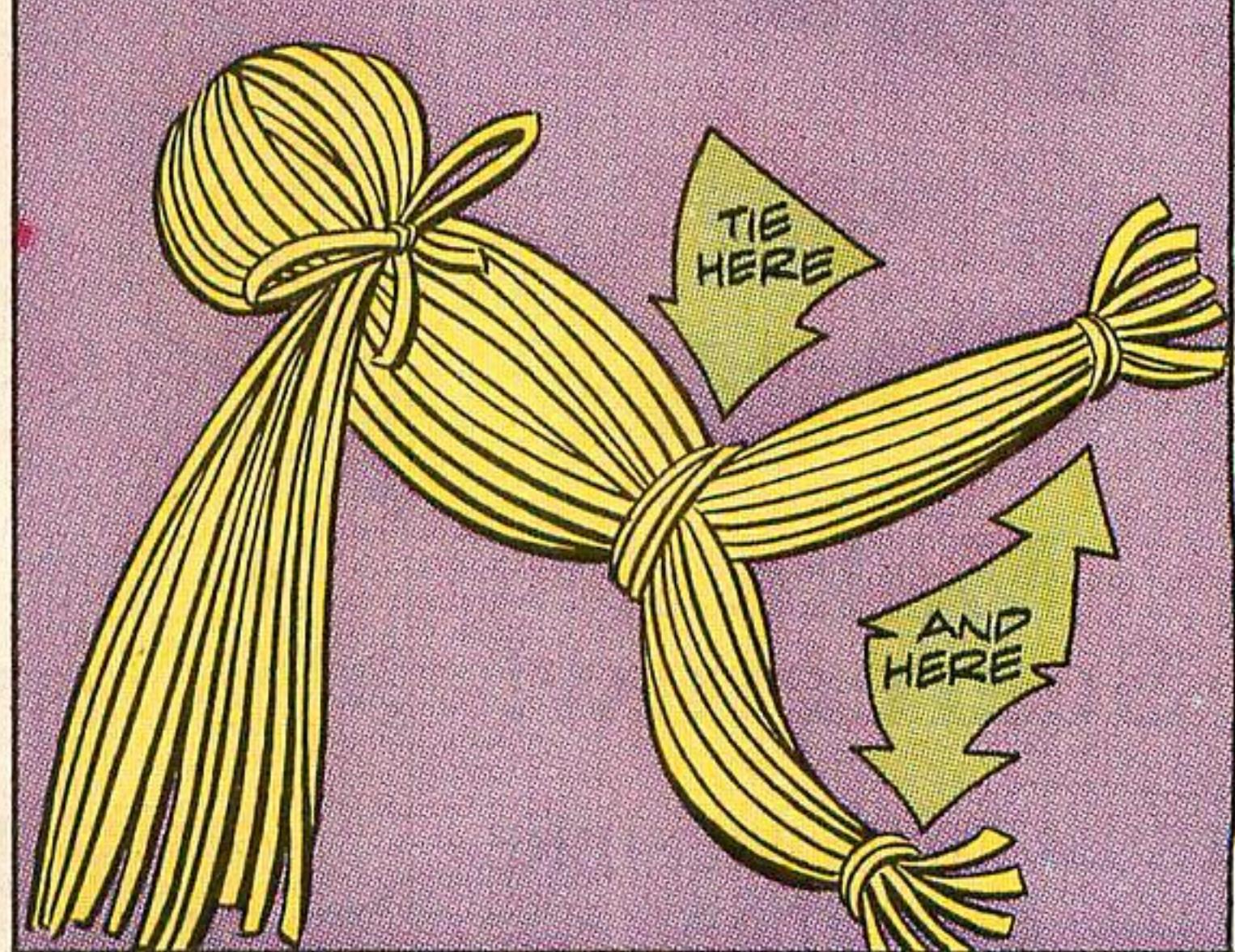
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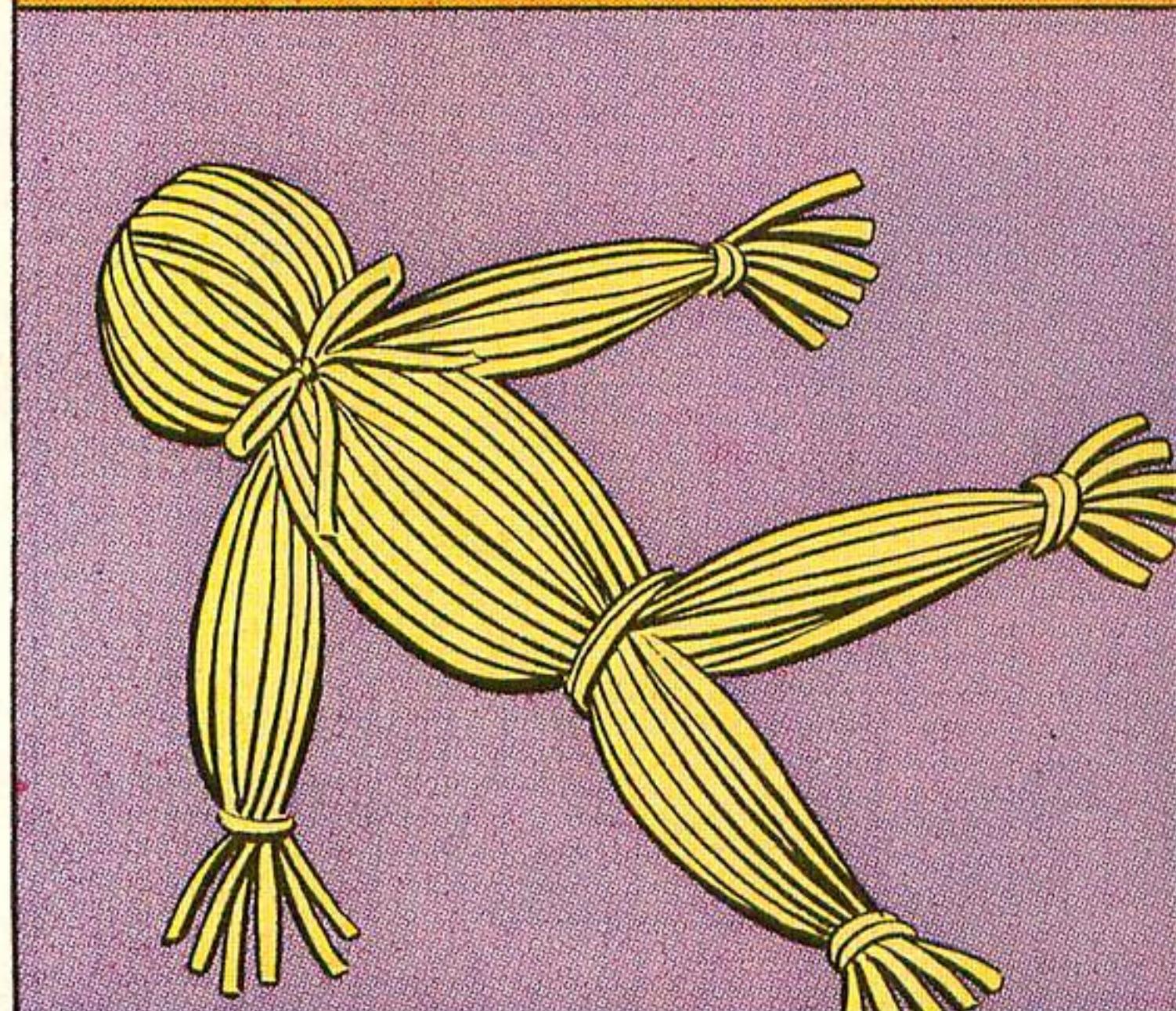
SEPARATE THE YARN IN TWO...



TAKE ONE HALF, TIE IT MIDWAY TO MAKE A WAIST AND SEPARATE THE BOTTOM INTO LEGS.



TAKE THE OTHER HALF AND SEPARATE IT INTO ARMS. TRIM AND TIE THE ARMS, SO IT LOOKS LIKE THIS...



NOW MAKE A FELT FACE BY CUTTING OUT EYES, A NOSE AND A MOUTH AND GLUING THEM ONTO THE SCARECROW'S HEAD.

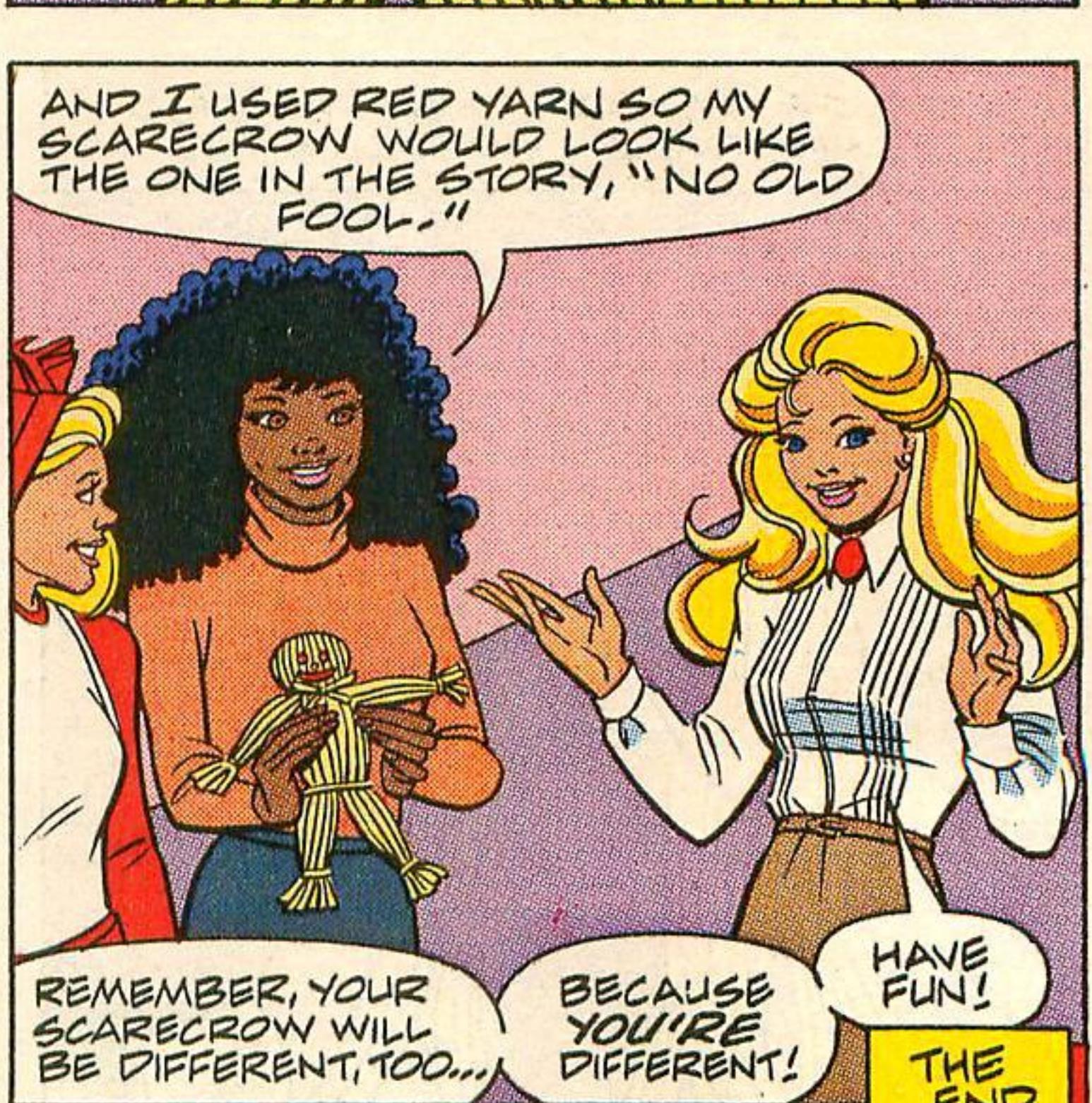


LOOK WHAT I DID, BARBIE!

SKIPPER TIED A STICK BEHIND THE ARMS TO PROP THEM OPEN!

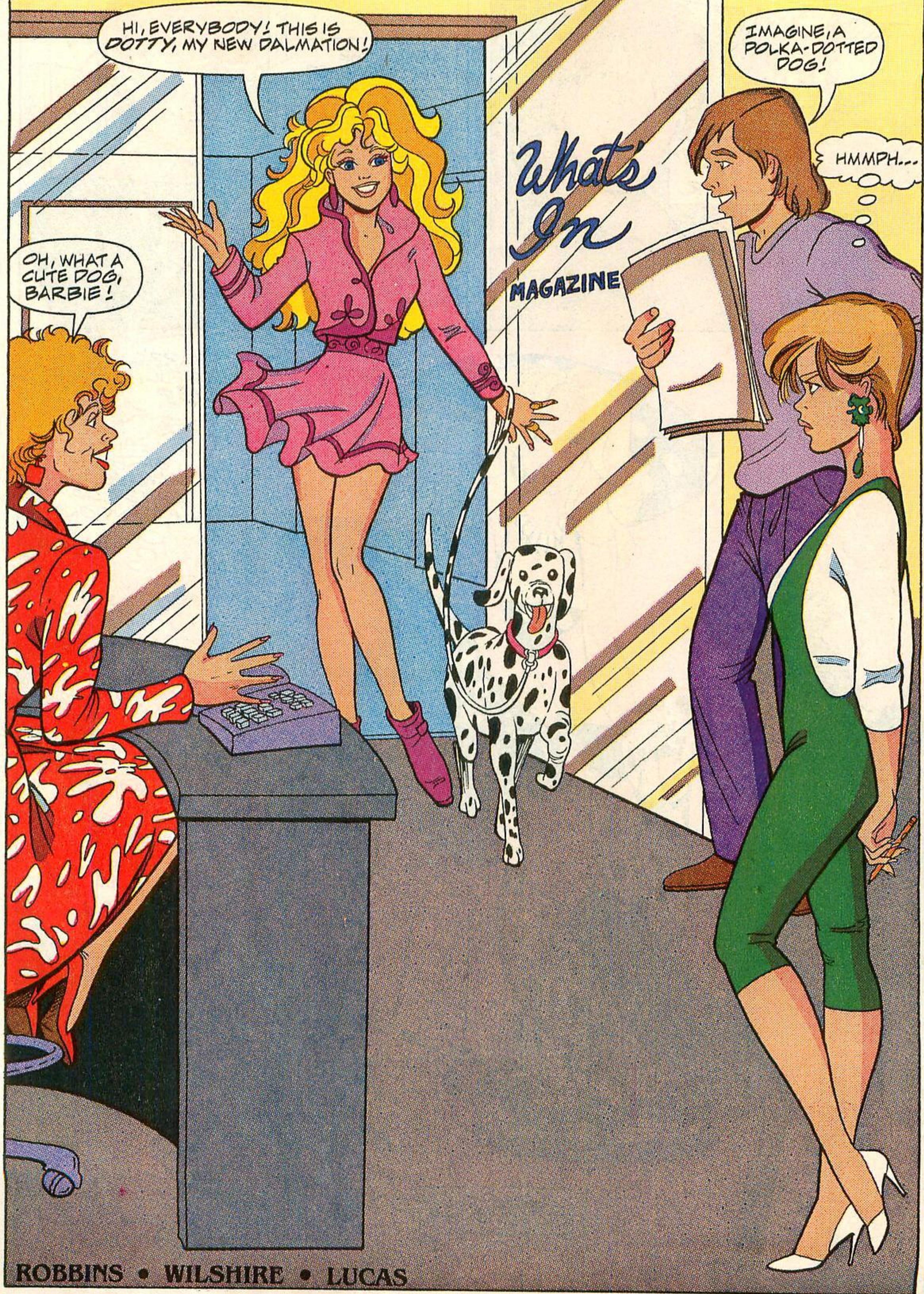


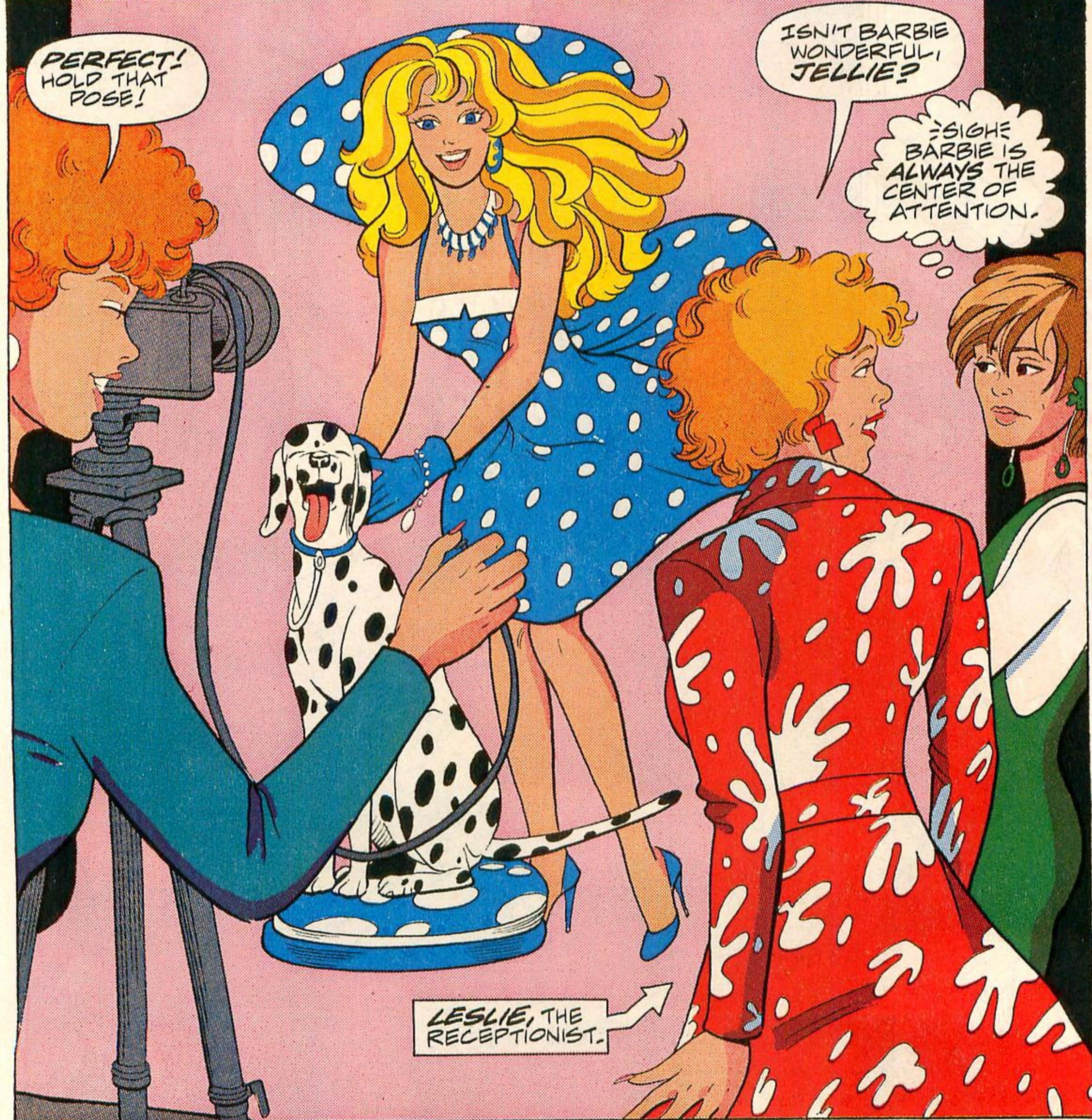
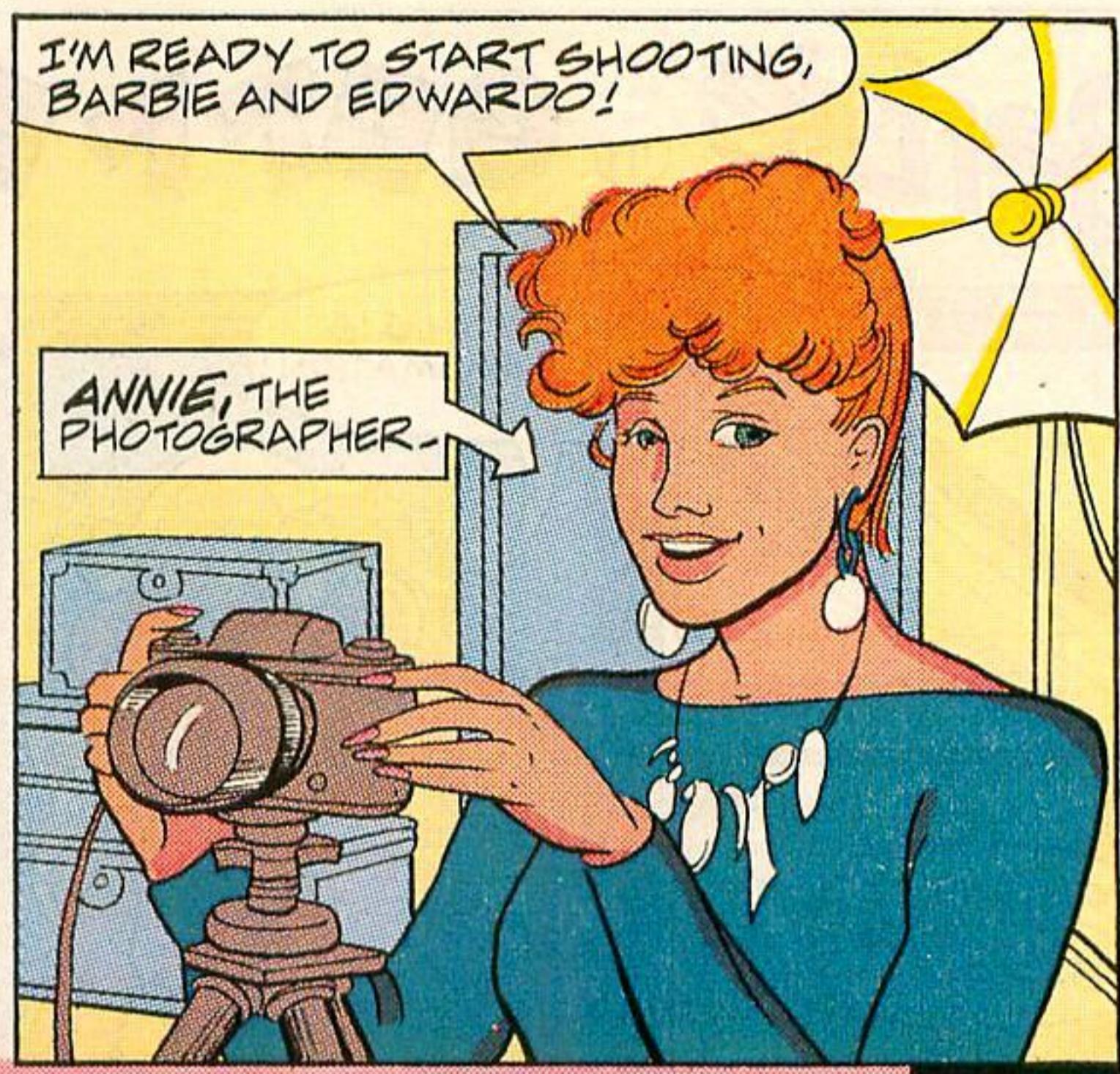
AND I USED RED YARN SO MY SCARECROW WOULD LOOK LIKE THE ONE IN THE STORY, "NO OLD FOOL-"

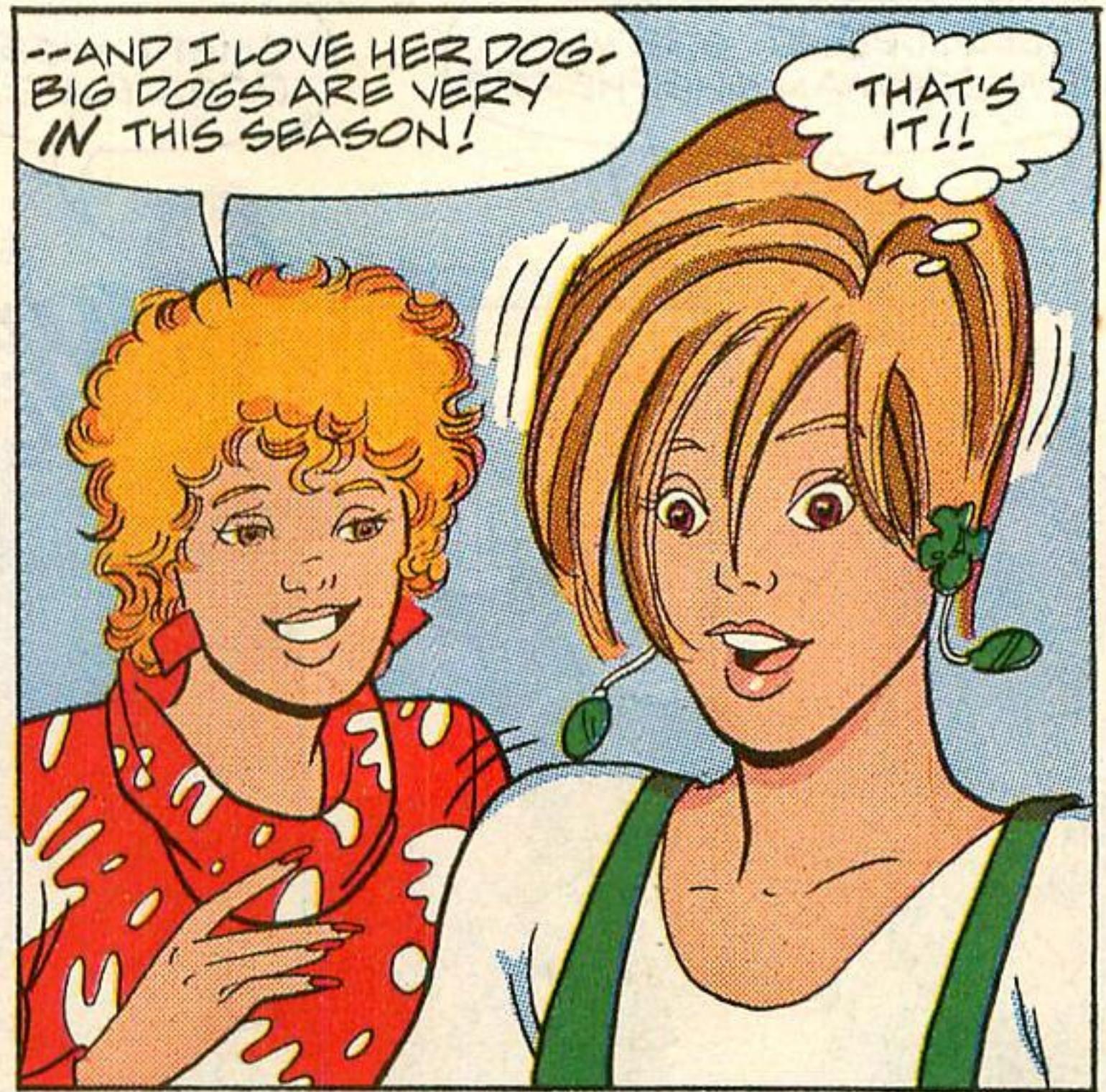
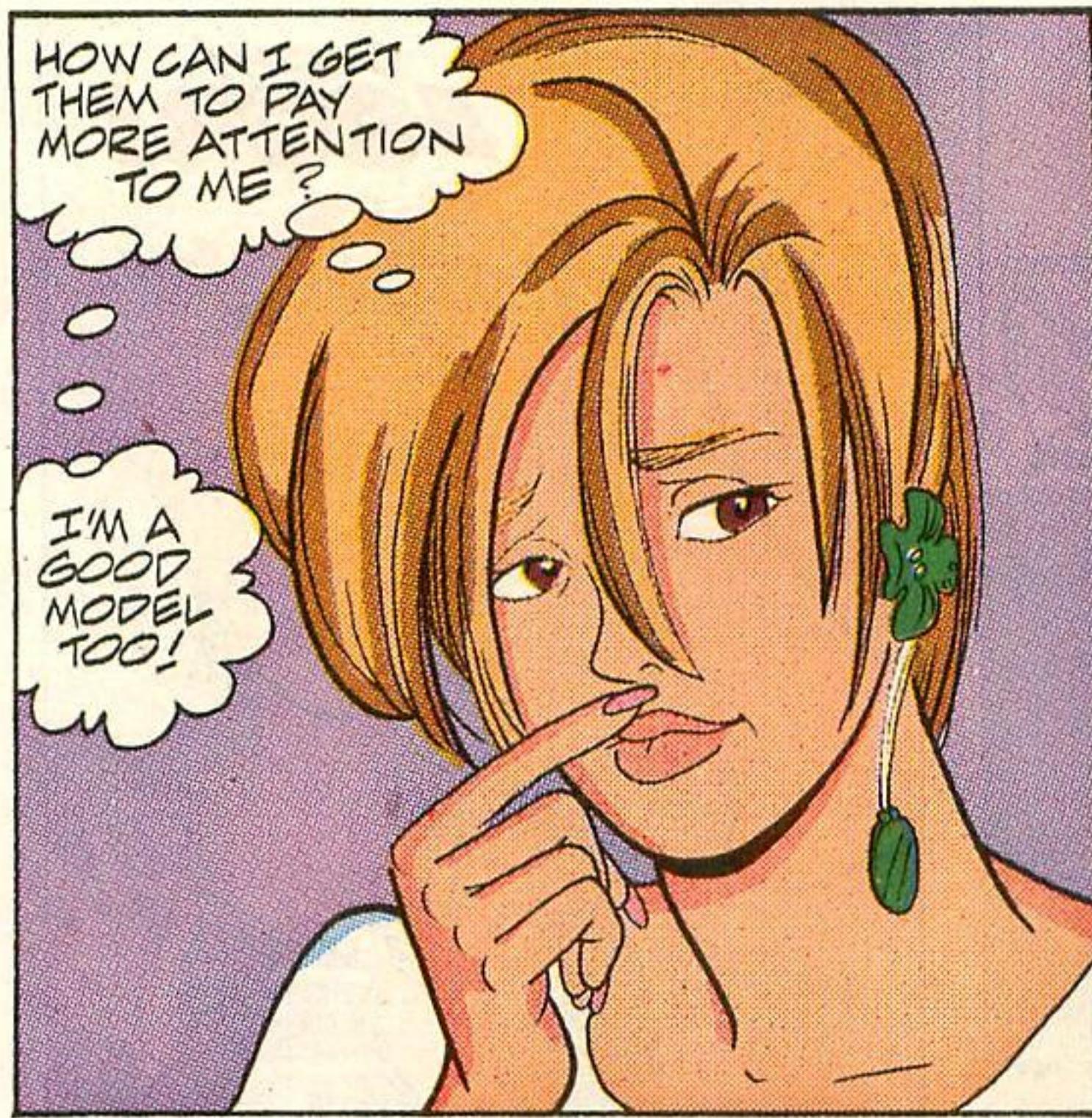


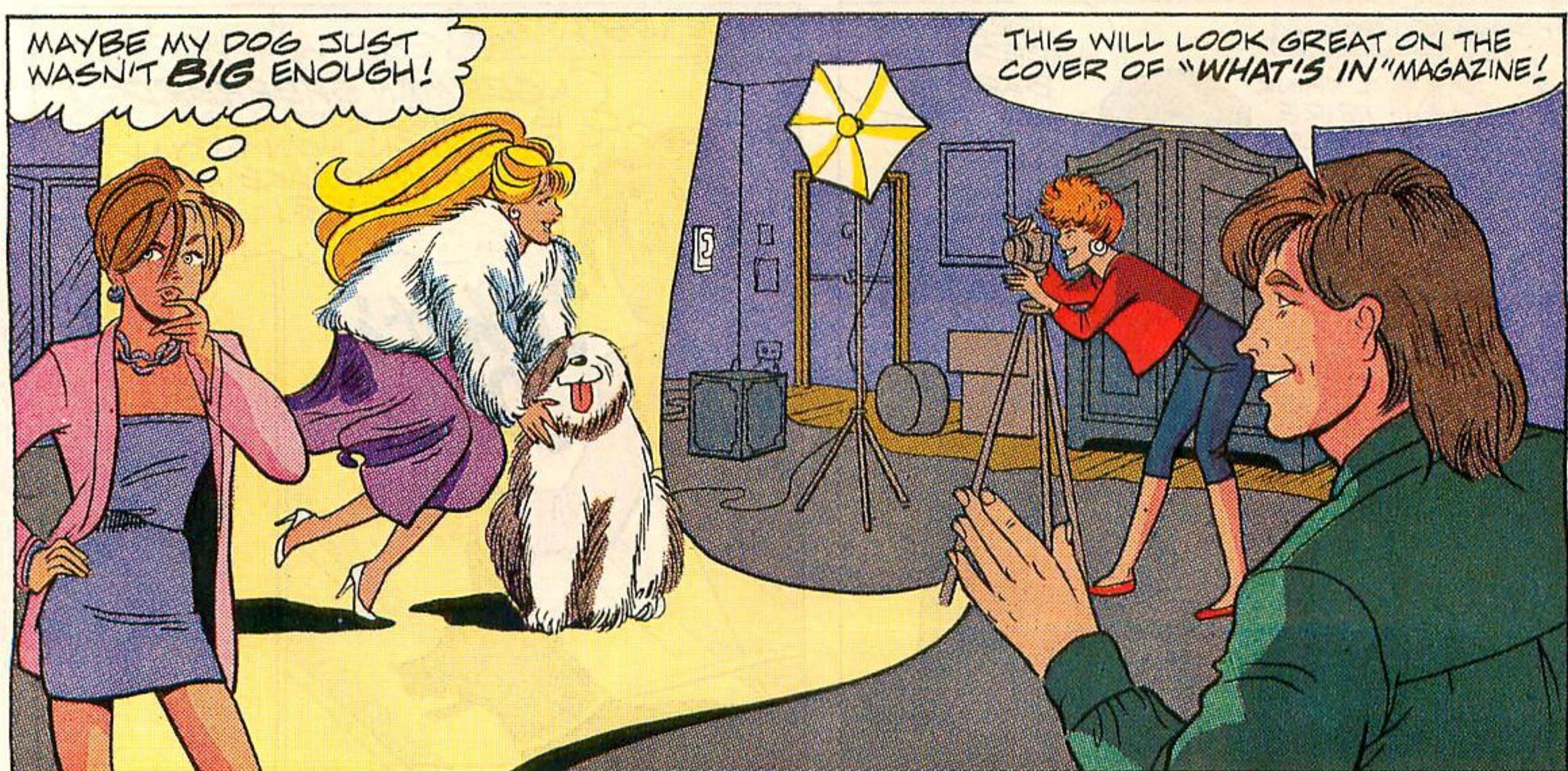
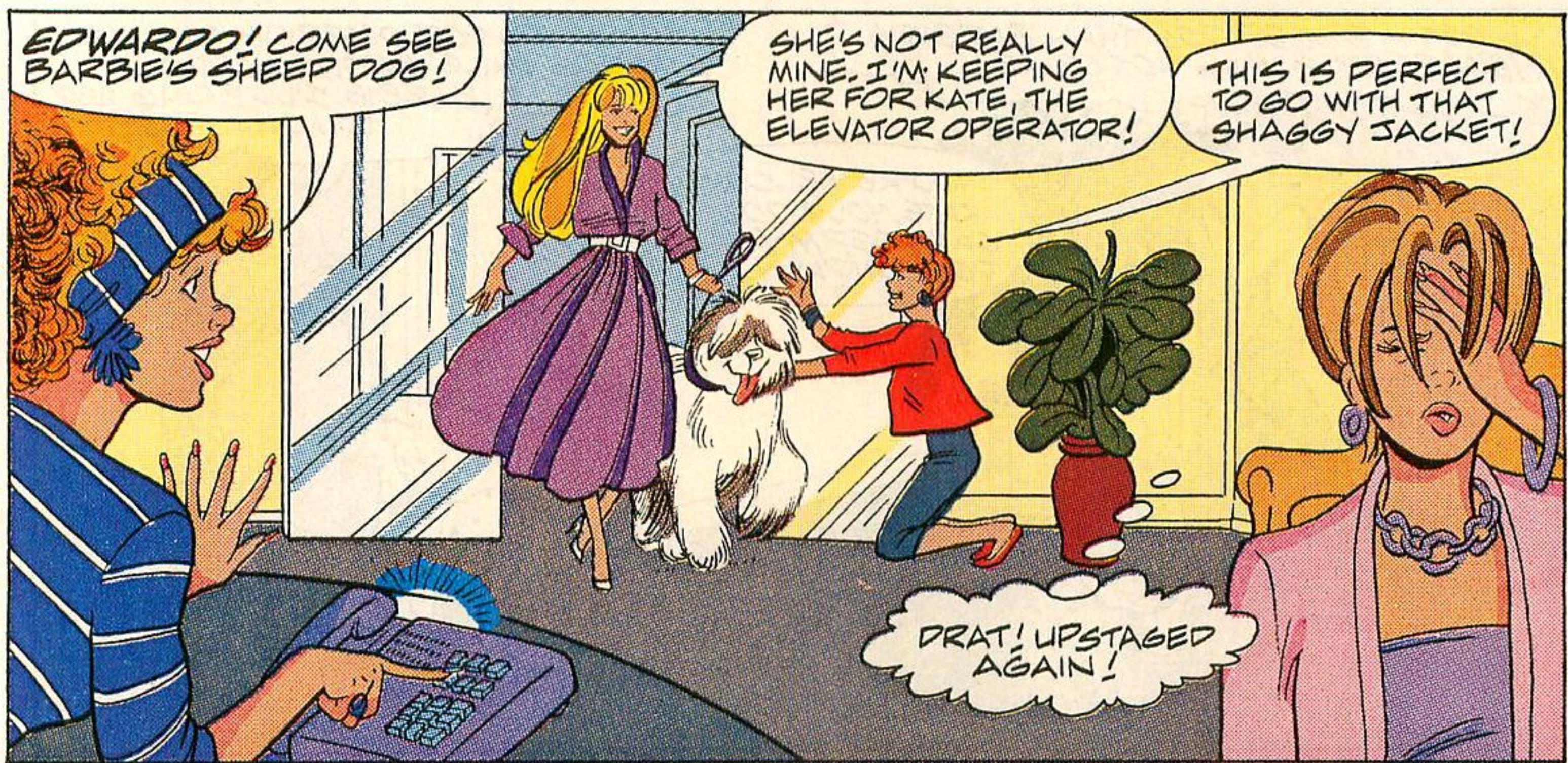
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Barbie ^{IN} GET A BIGGER DOG!

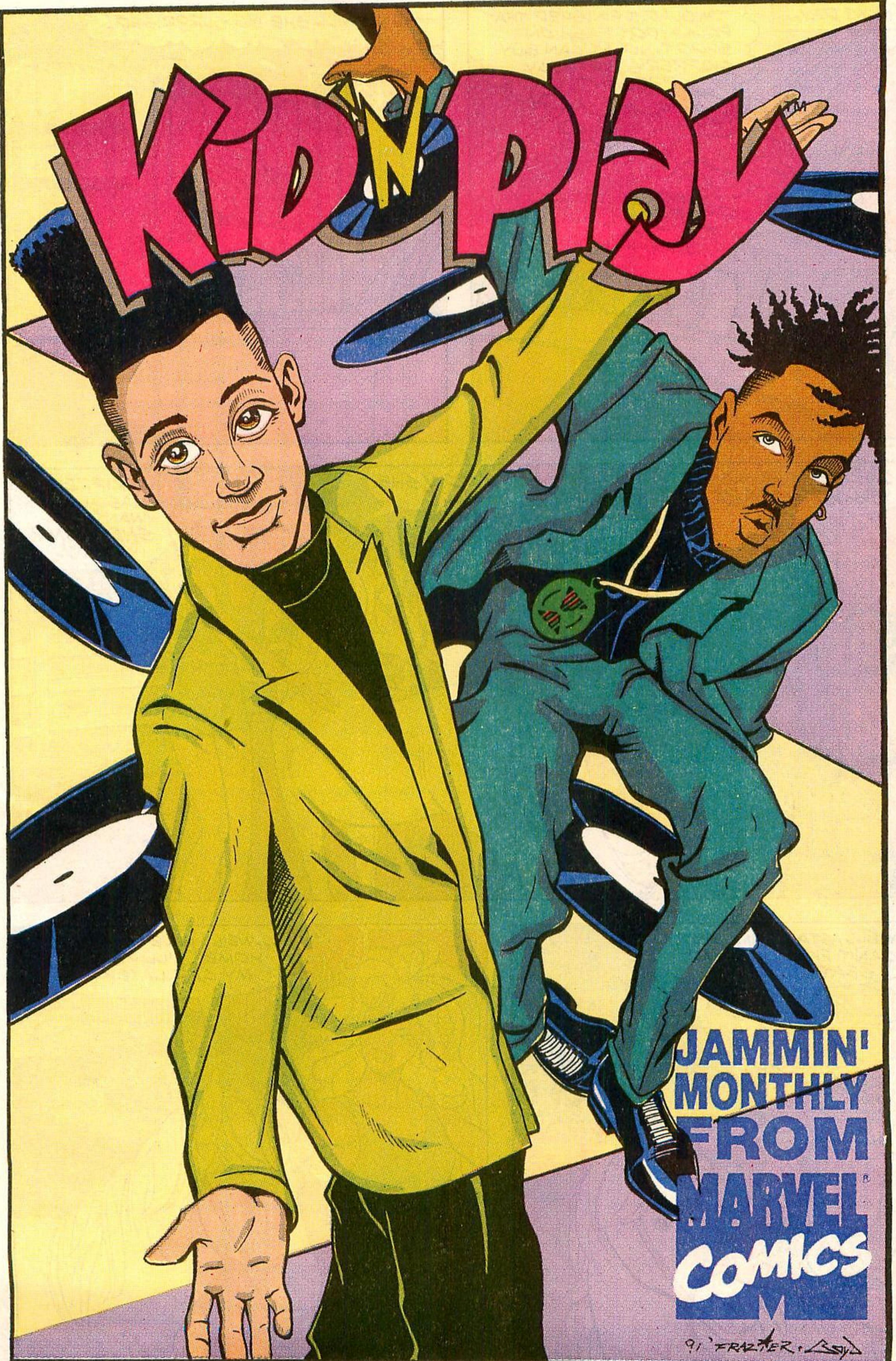








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NEXT DAY...

I'M GLAD I FINISHED THAT
POLKA-DOT FASHION
SHOOT. NOW I CAN BUY
SKIPPER'S BIRTHDAY
PRESENT!

---AND WILL SHE BE SURPRISED!

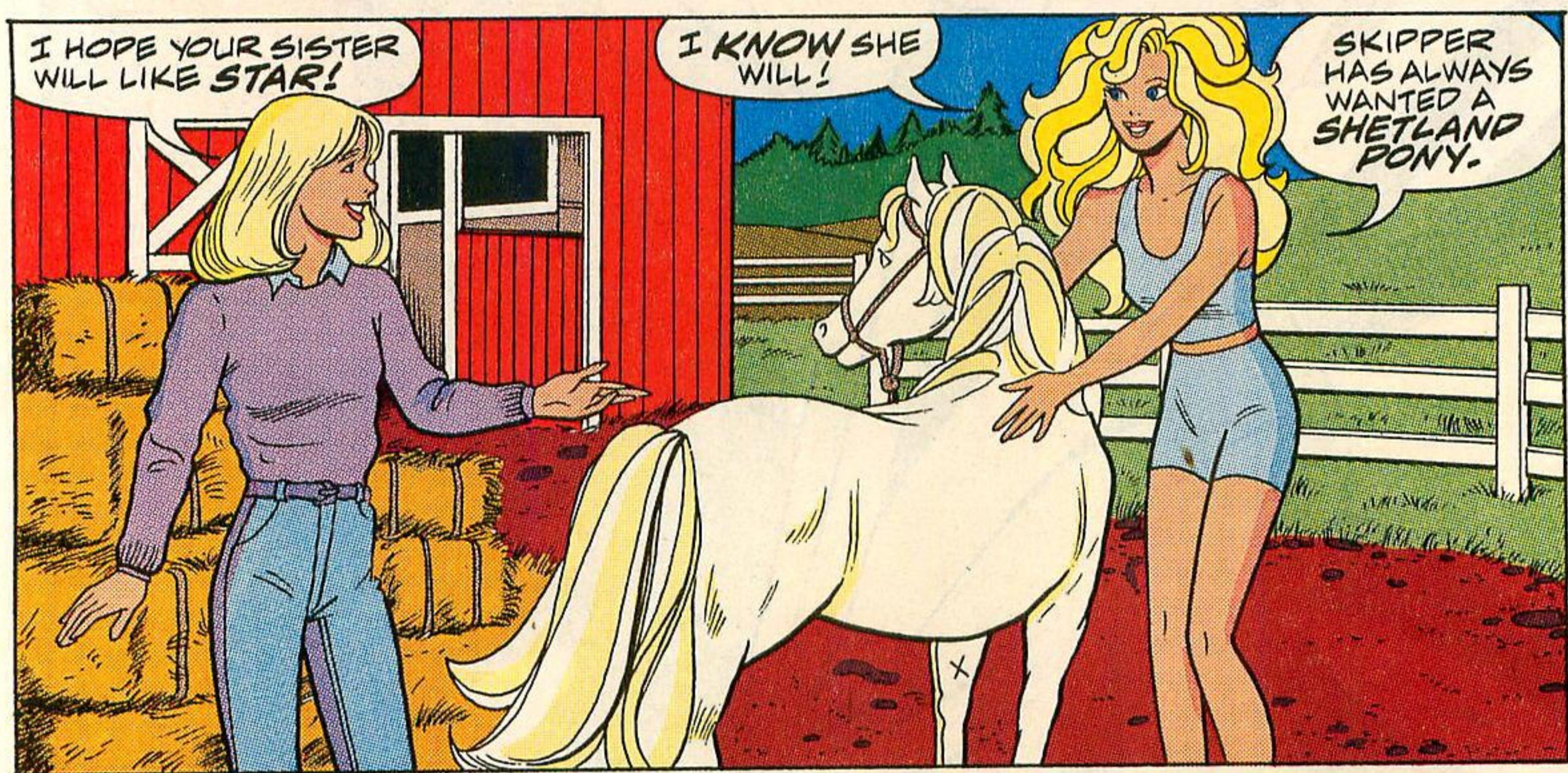
DAISY HILL
STABLES



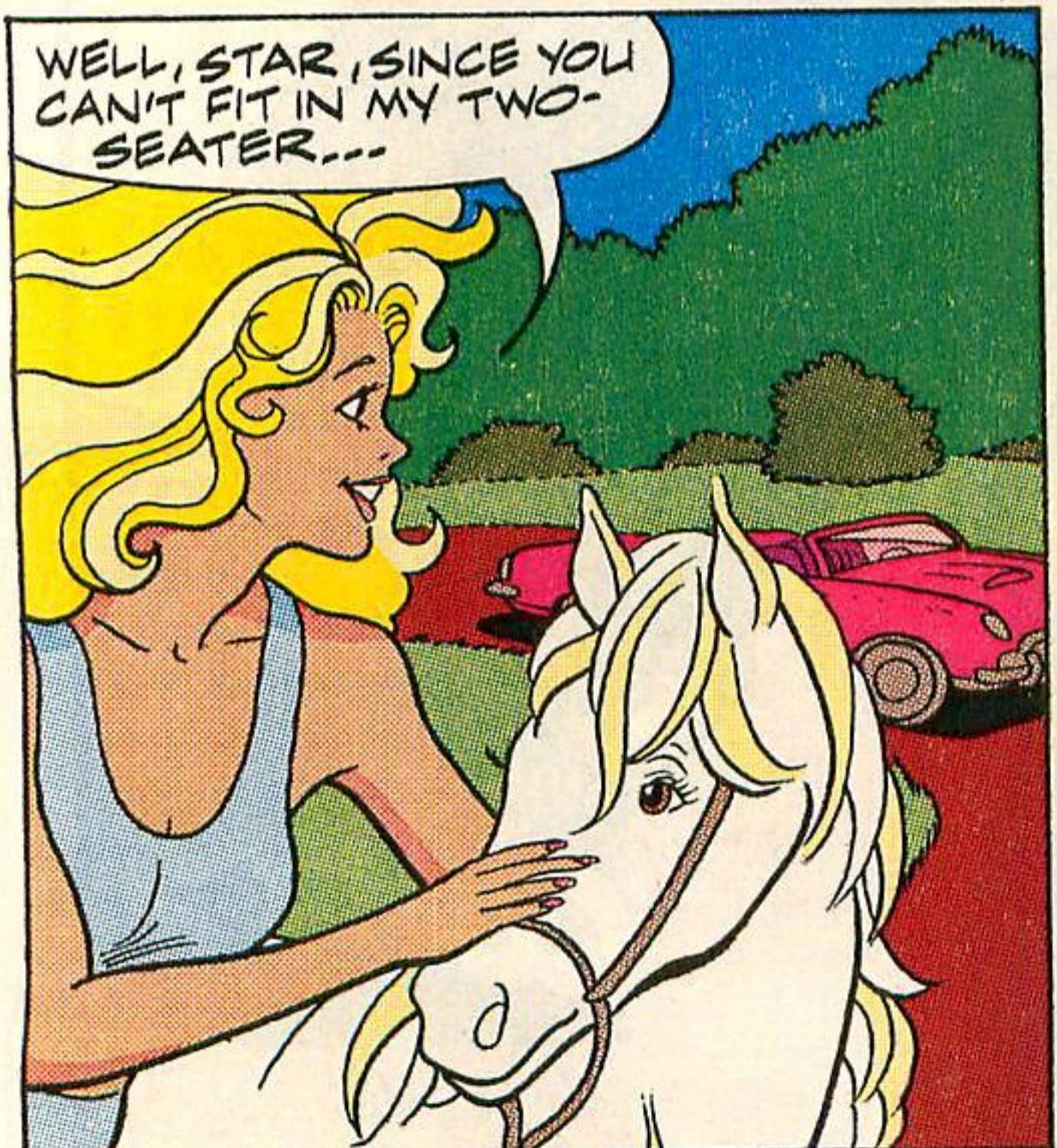
I HOPE YOUR SISTER
WILL LIKE STAR!

I KNOW SHE
WILL!

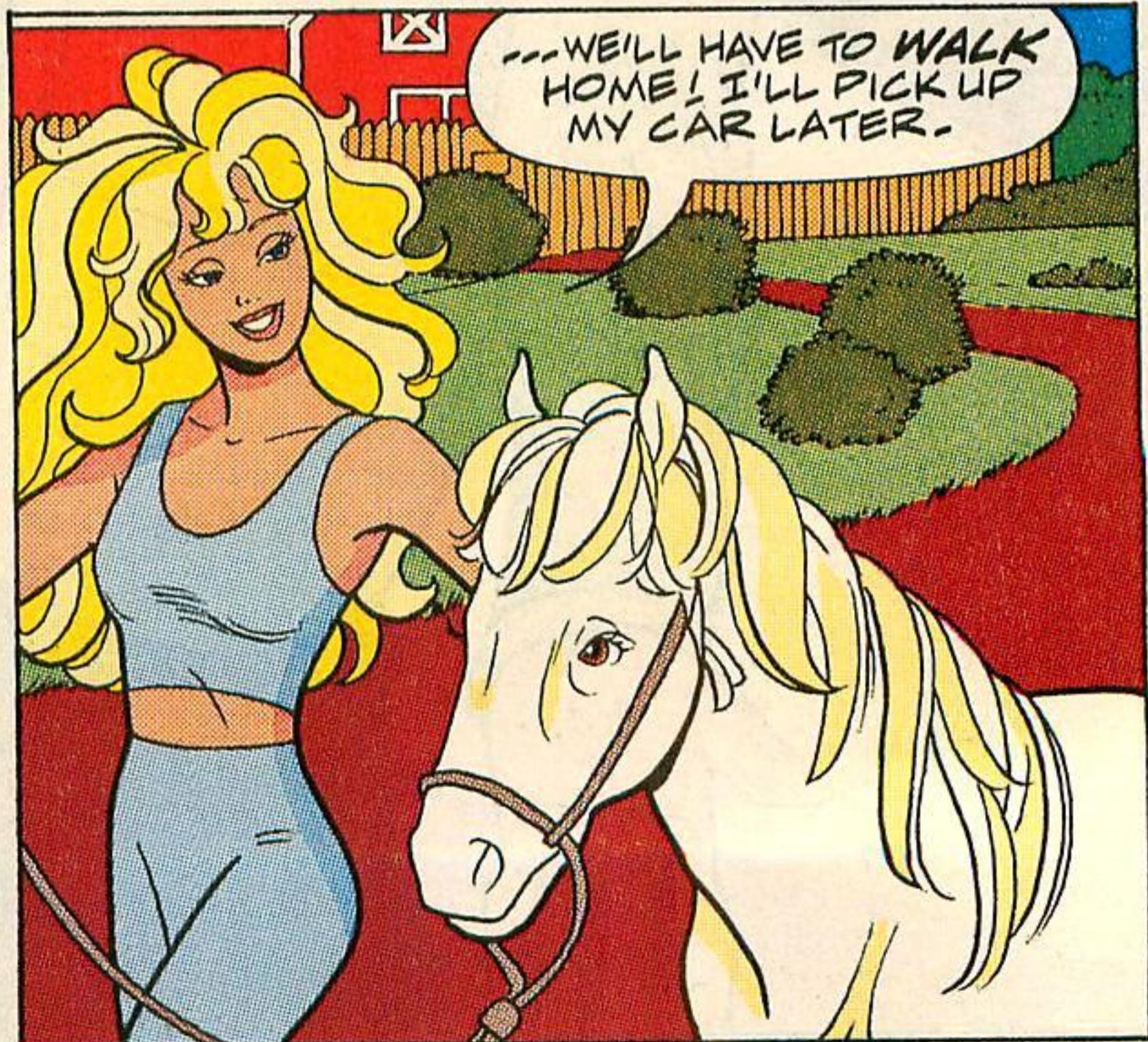
SKIPPER
HAS ALWAYS
WANTED A
SHETLAND
PONY.

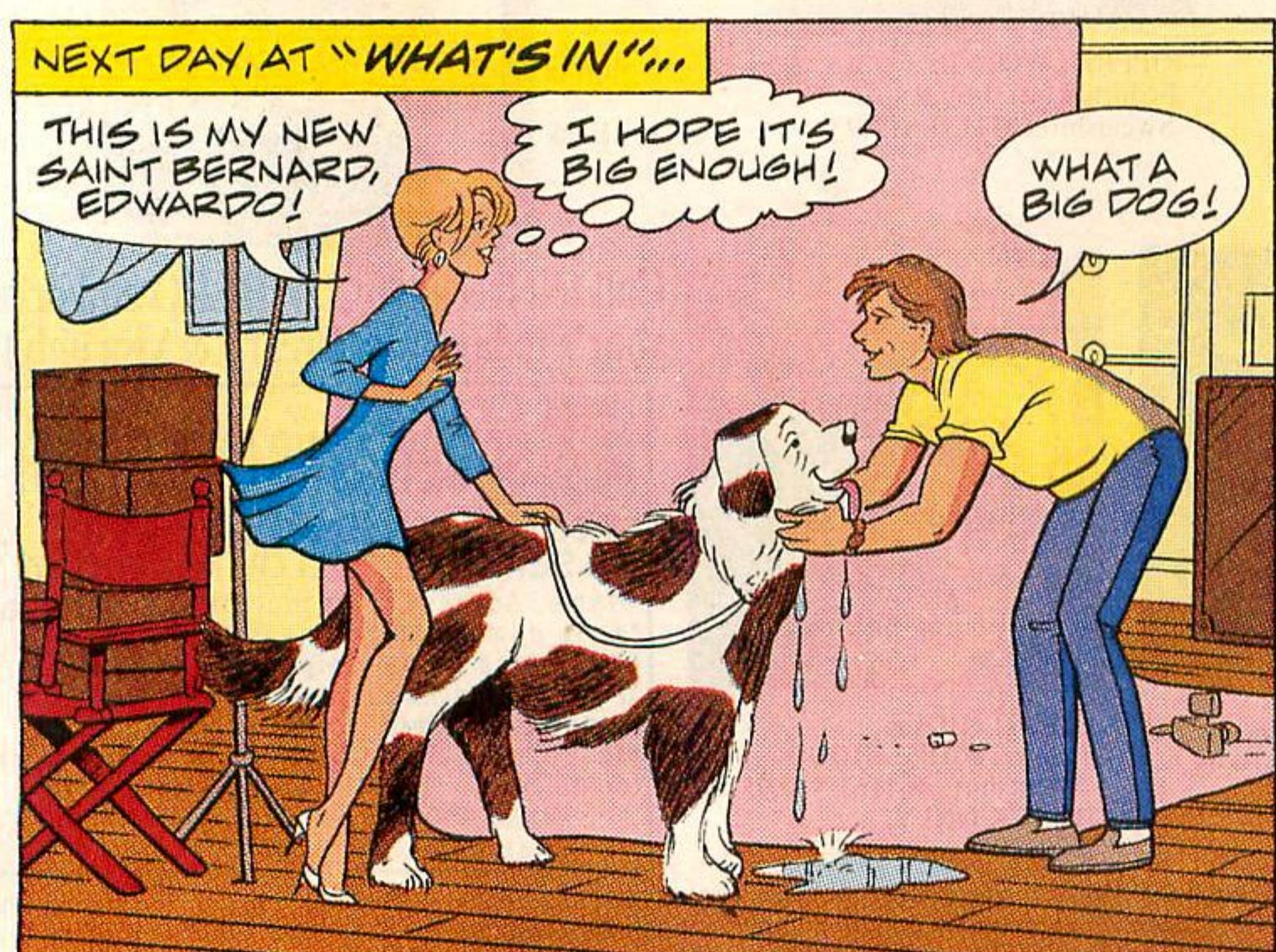
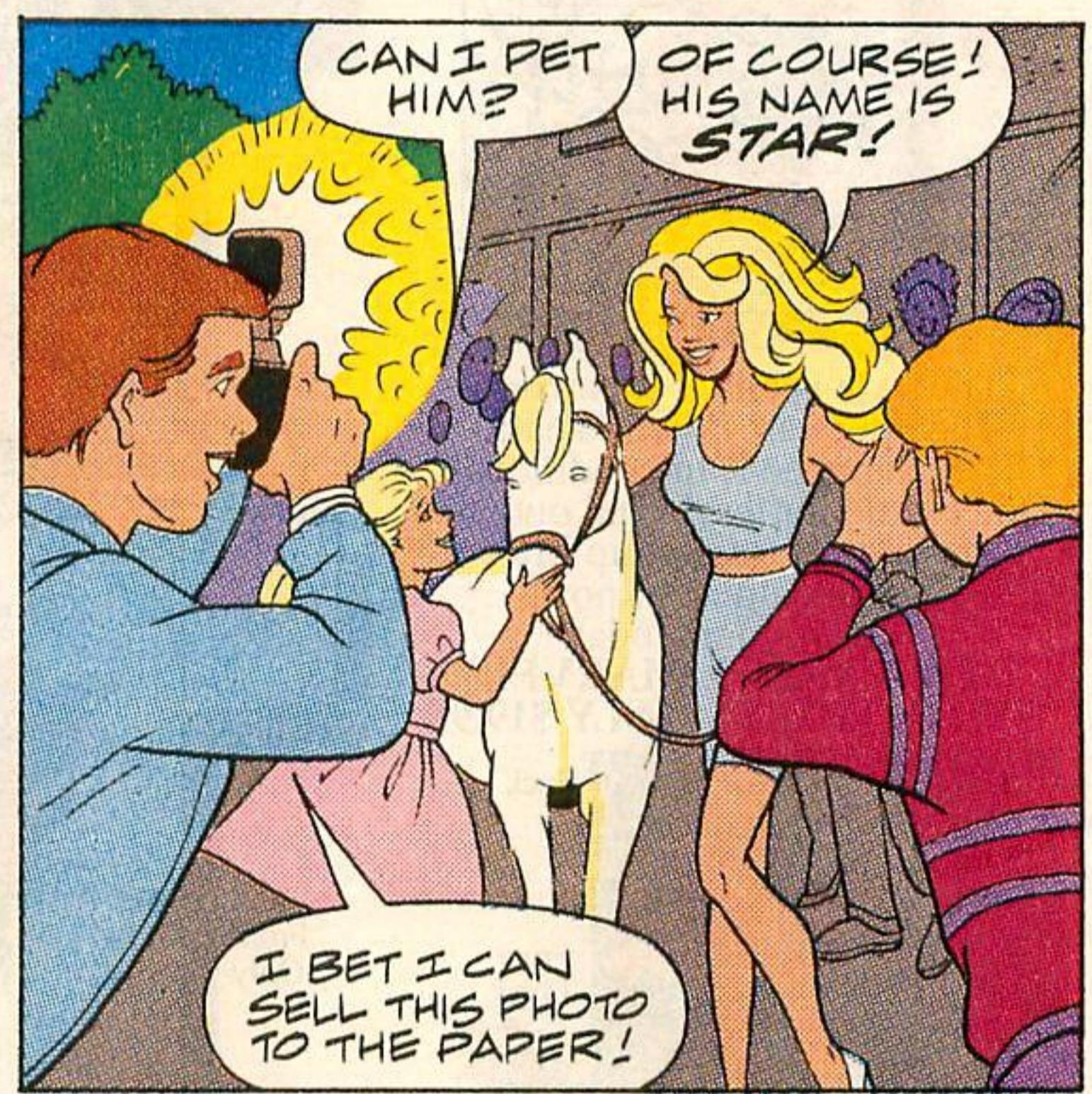
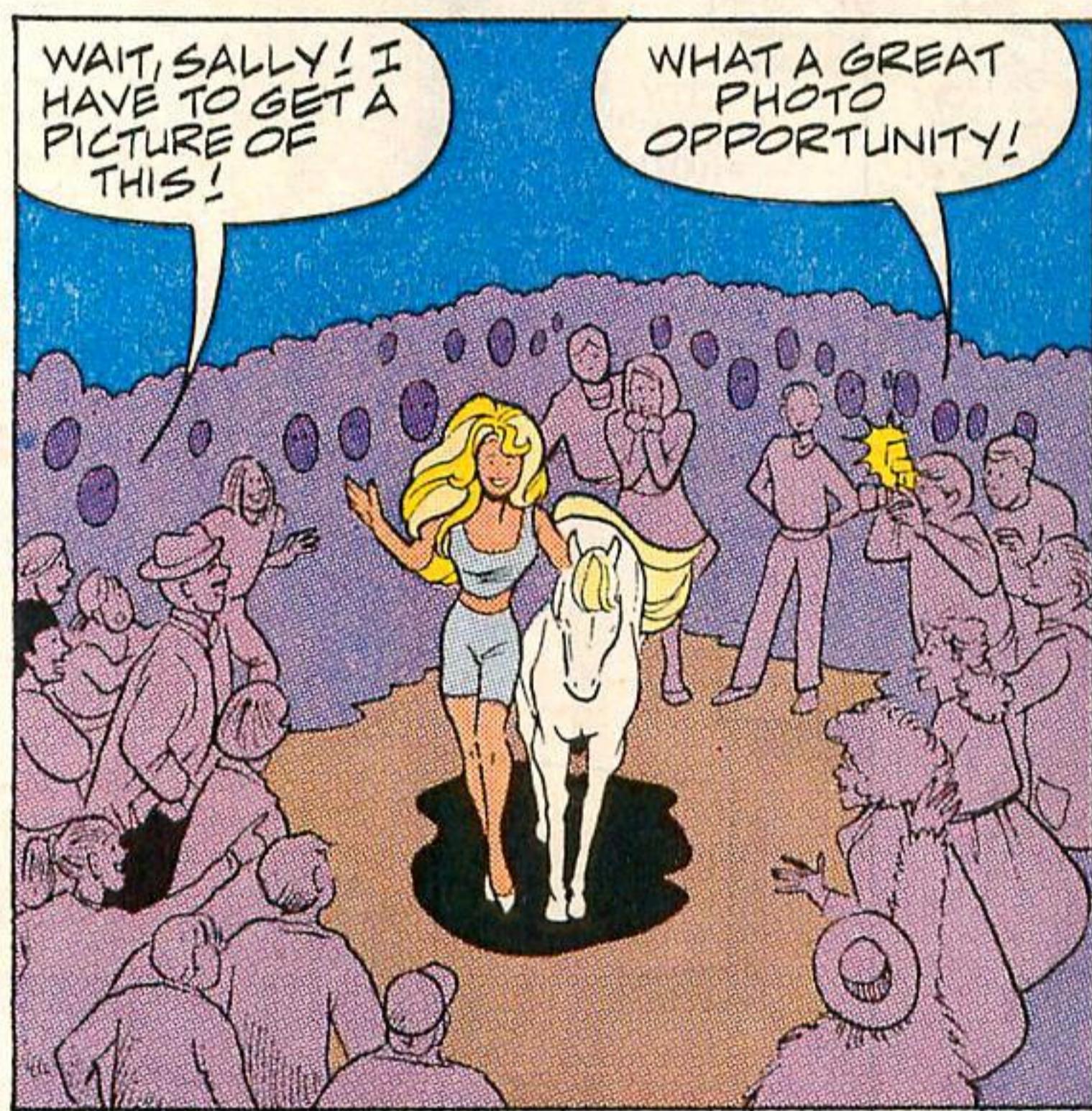
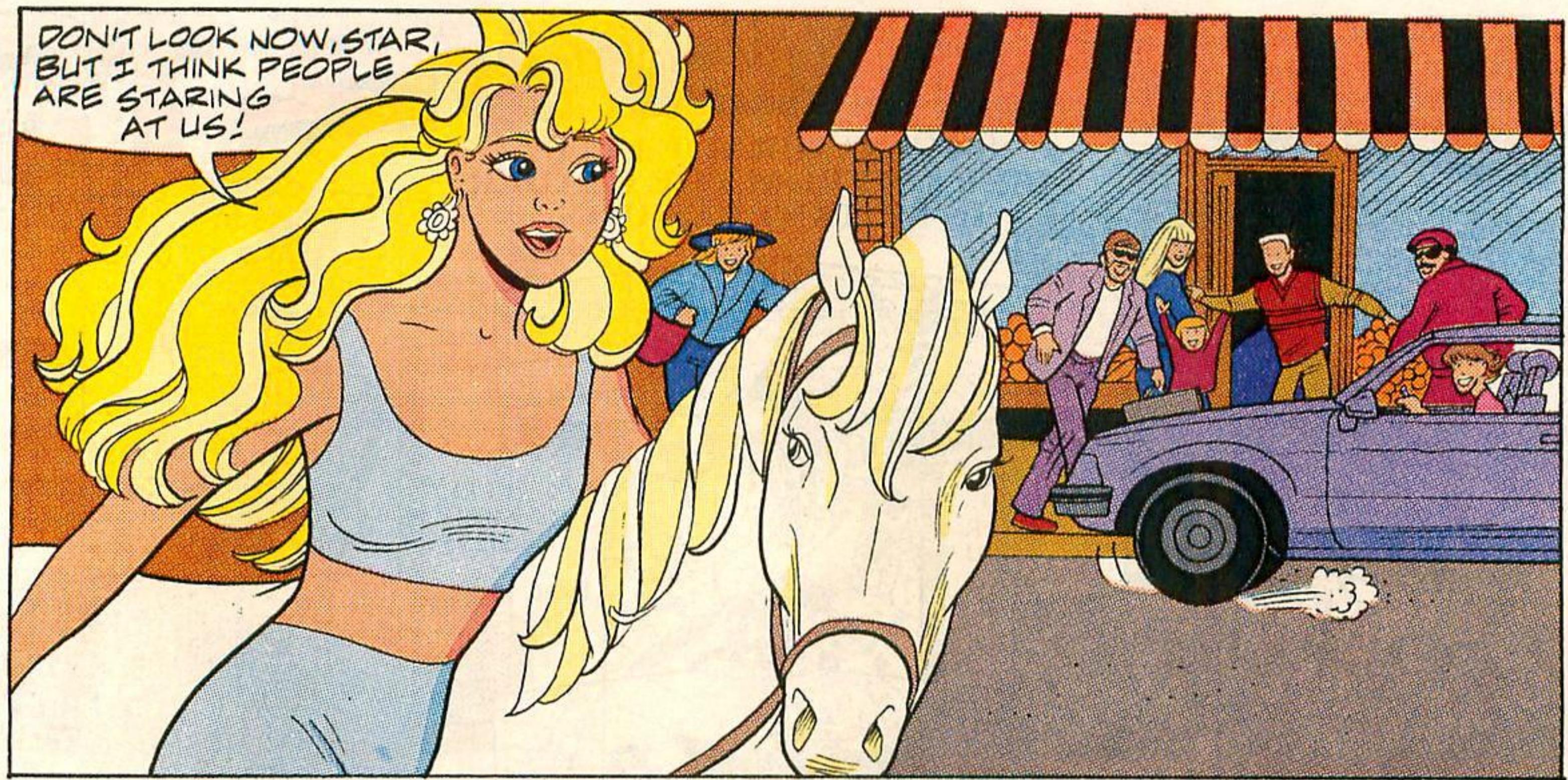


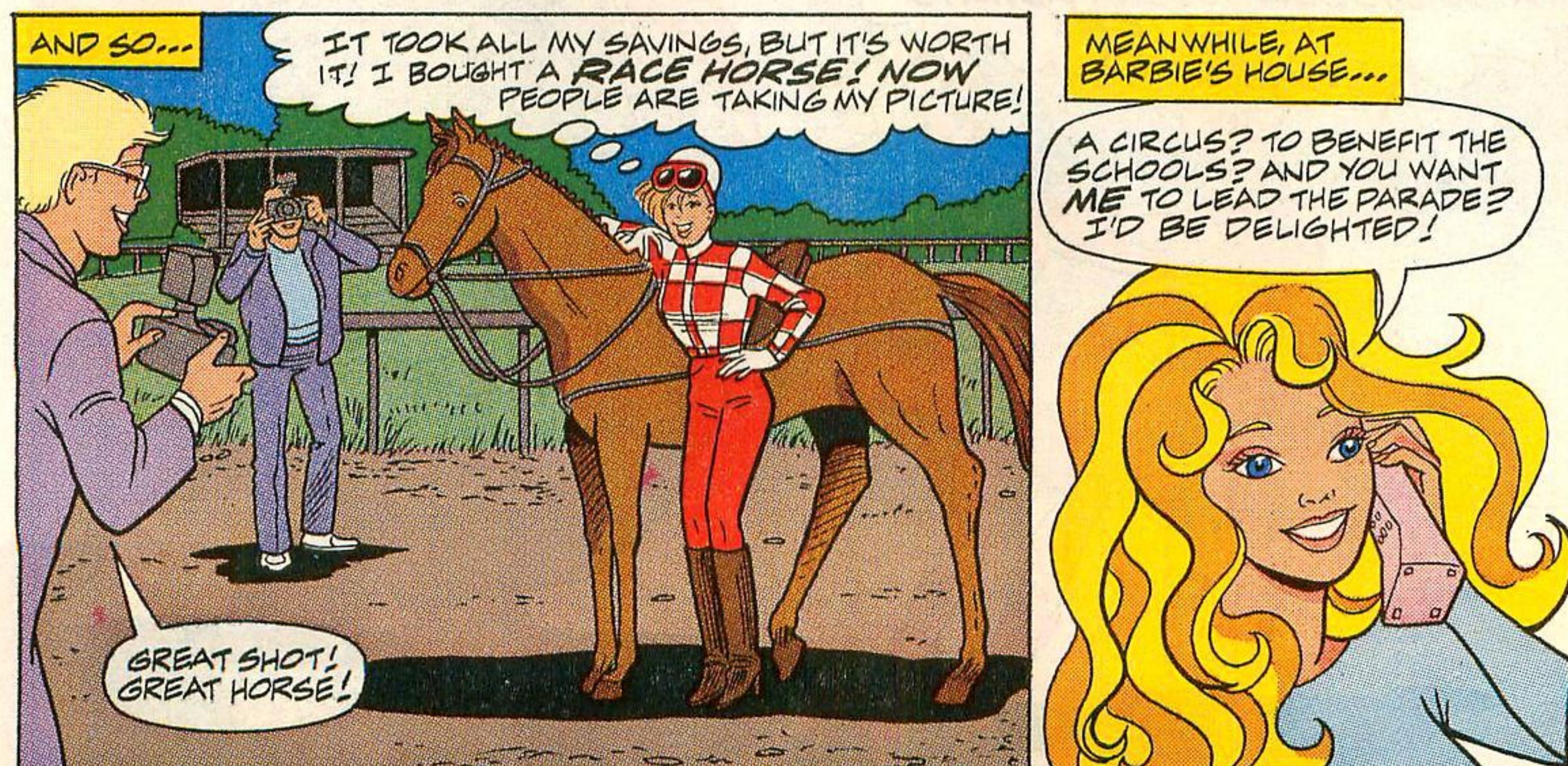
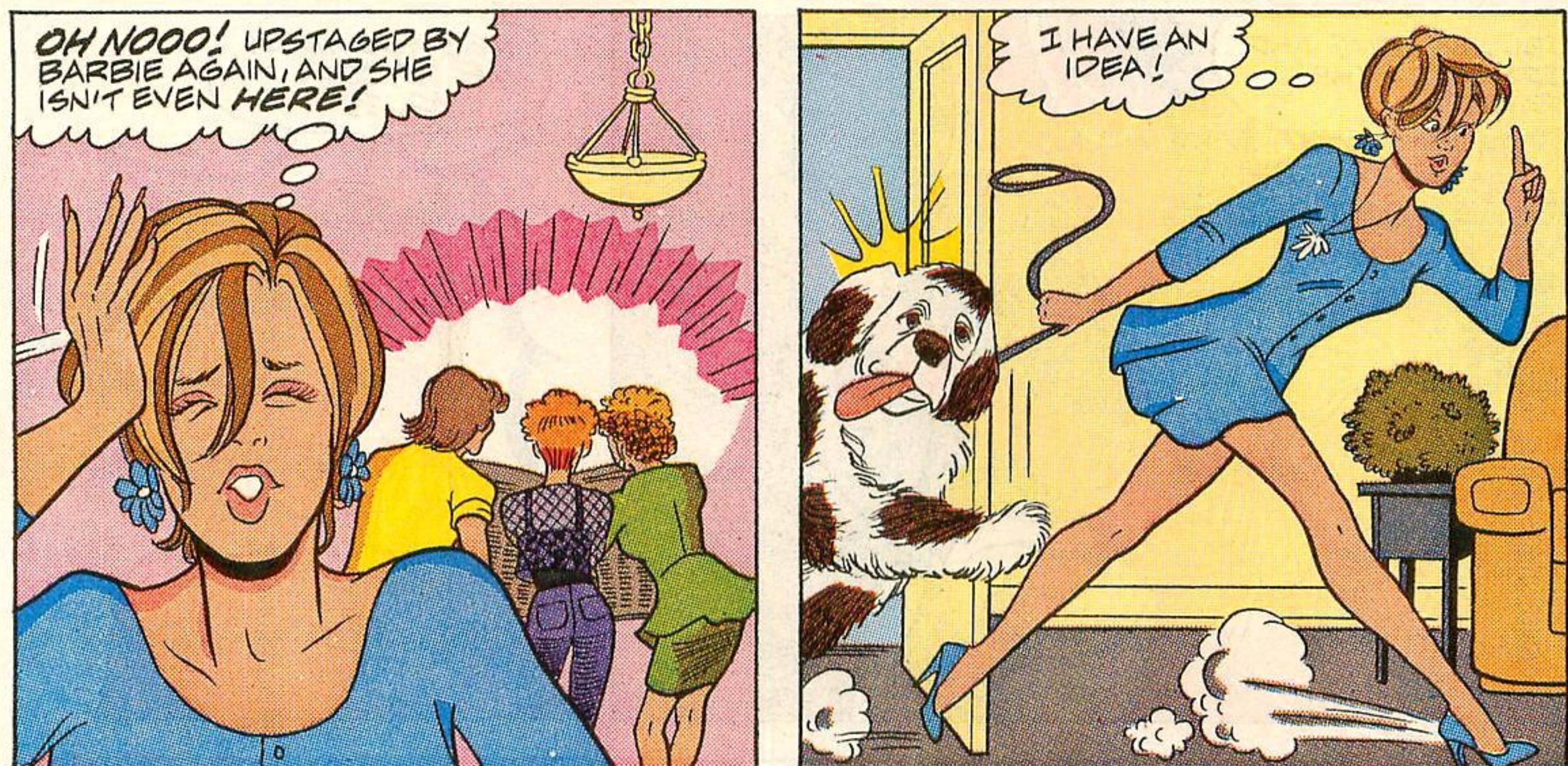
WELL, STAR, SINCE YOU
CAN'T FIT IN MY TWO-
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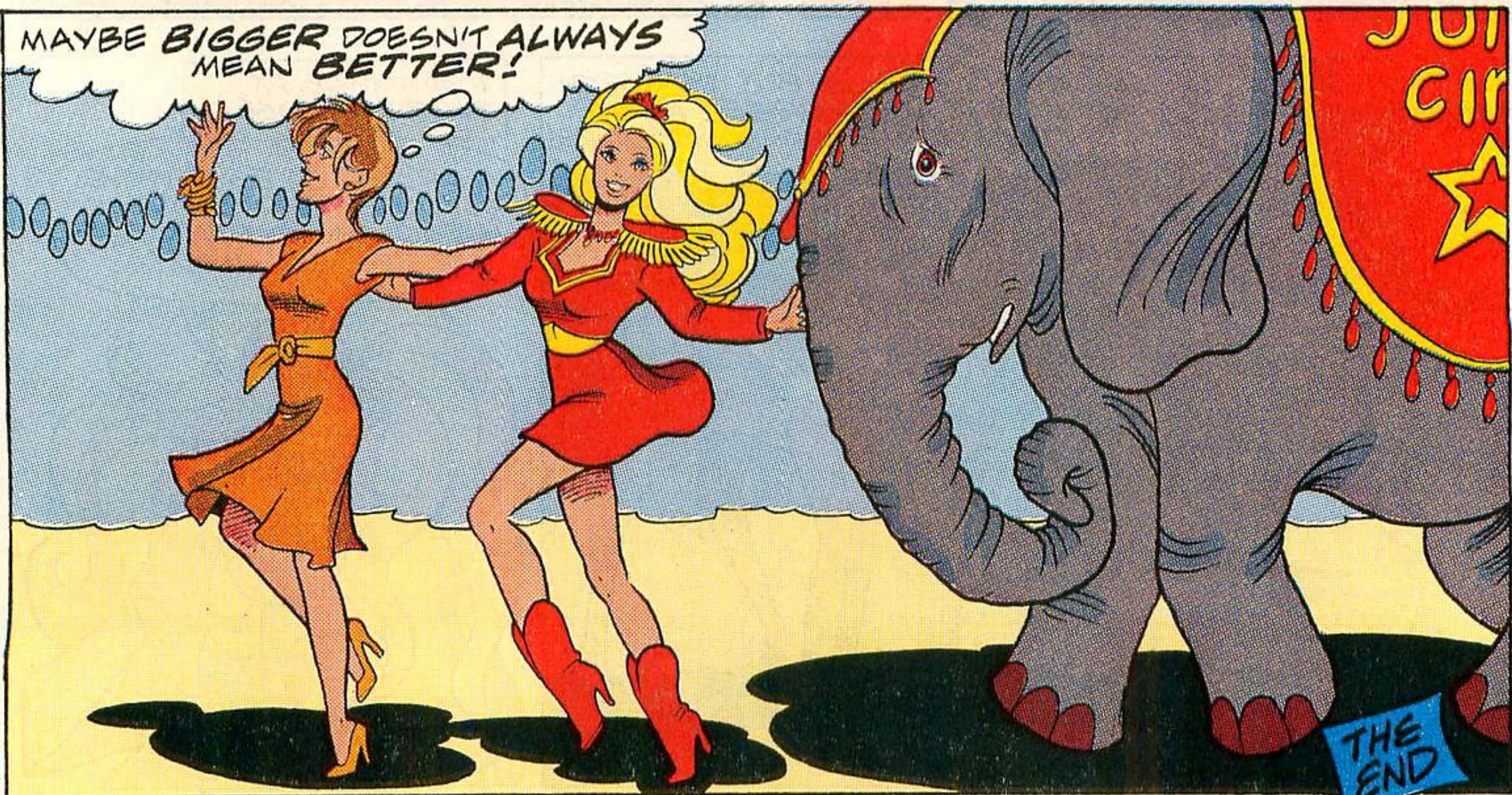
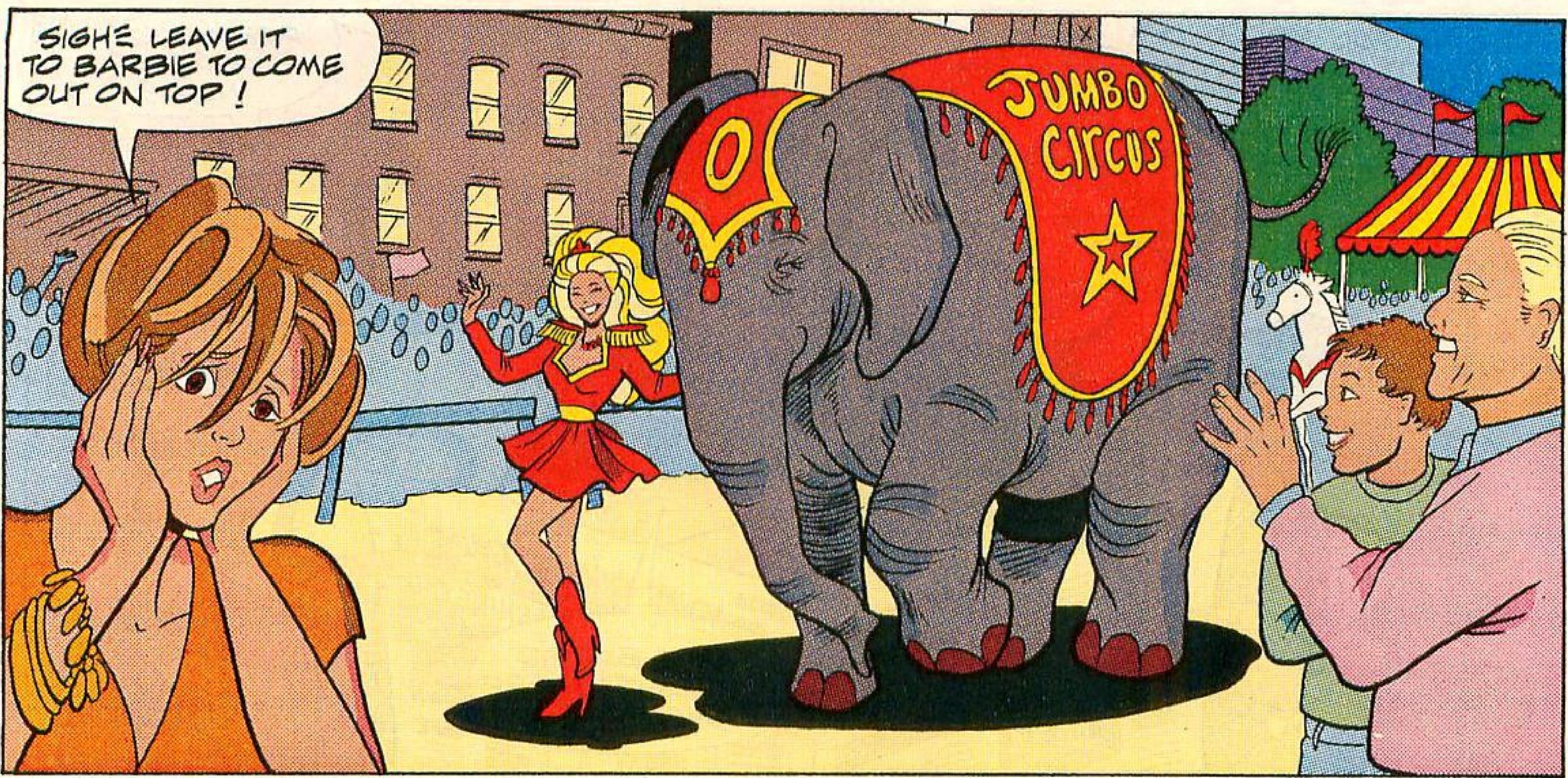


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HOME! I'LL PICK UP
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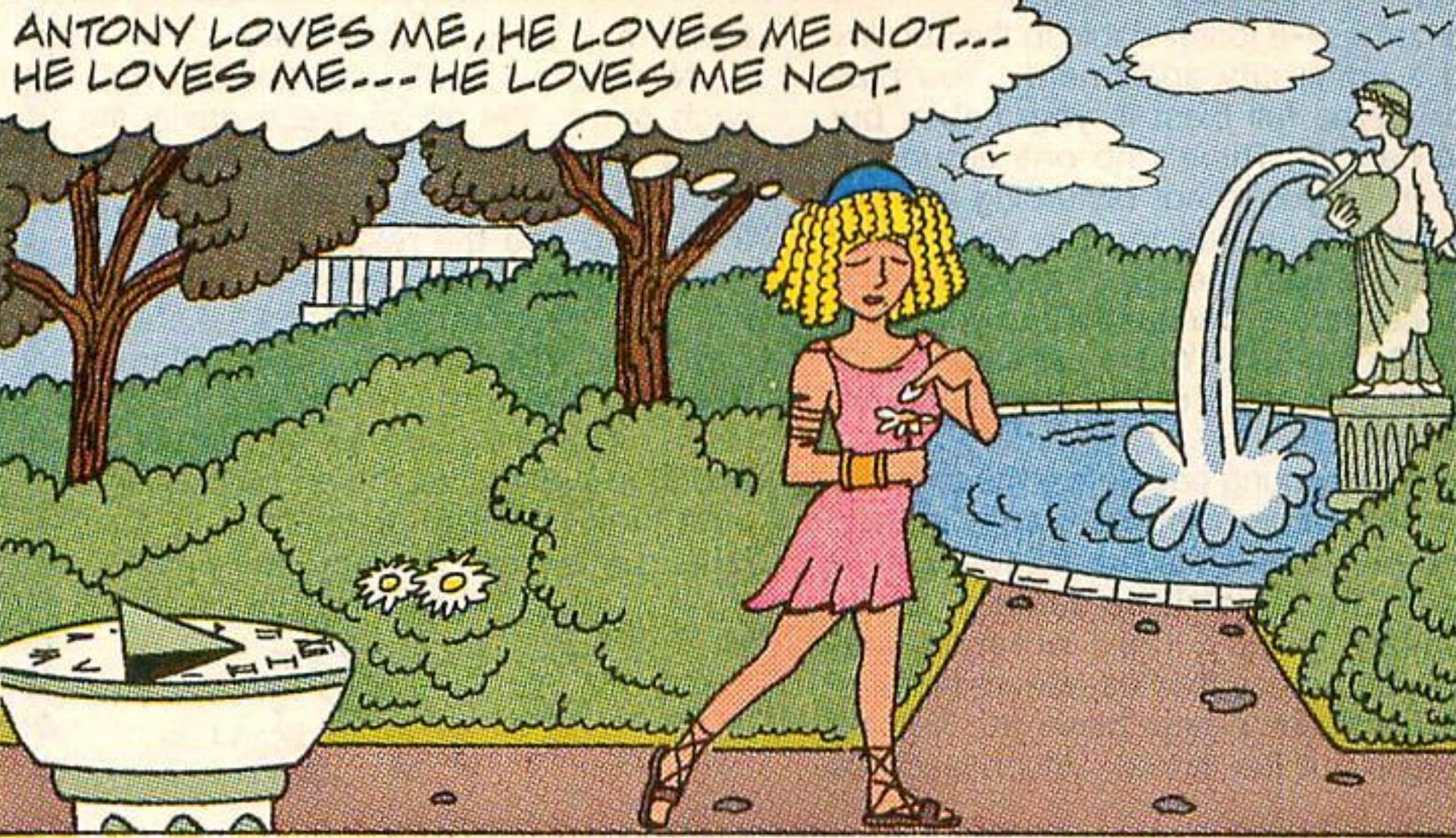


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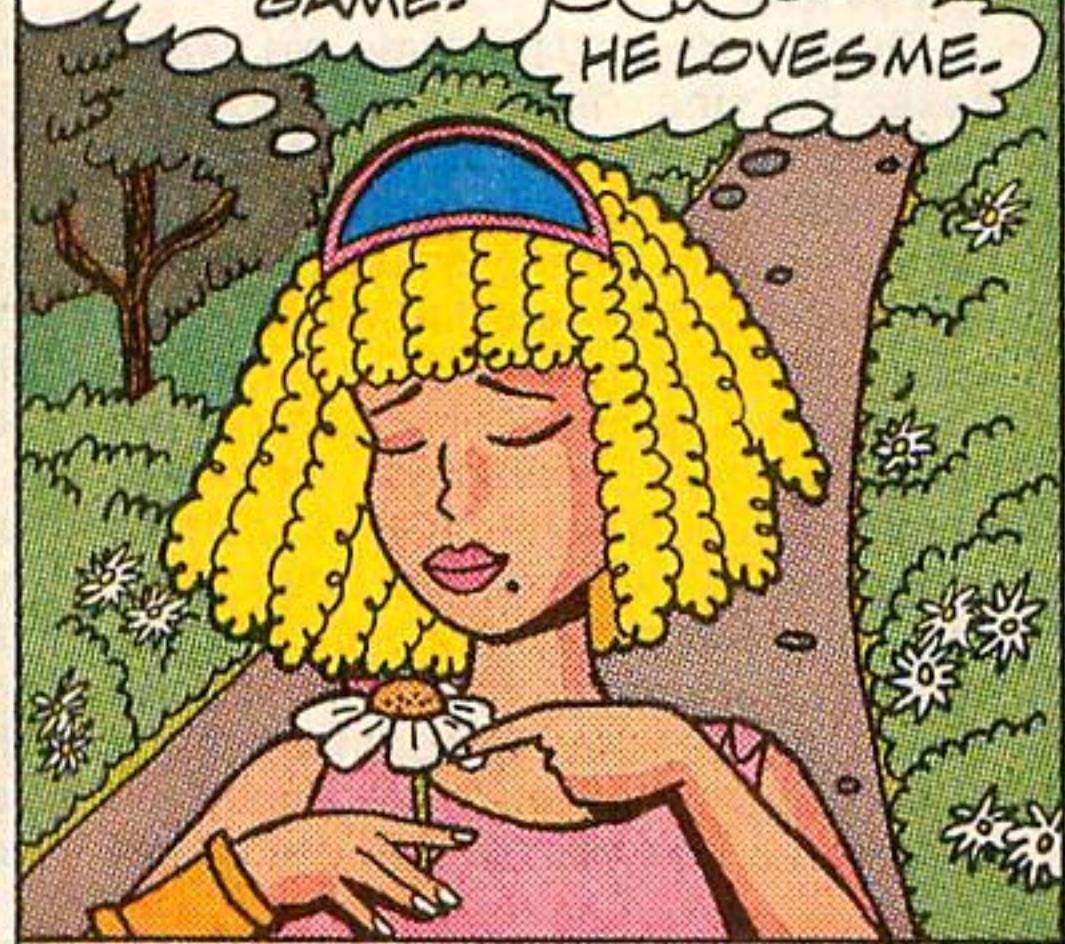
HE LOVES ME, HE LOVES ME NOT

BY BARBARA SLATE

ANTONY LOVES ME, HE LOVES ME NOT...
HE LOVES ME---HE LOVES ME NOT.

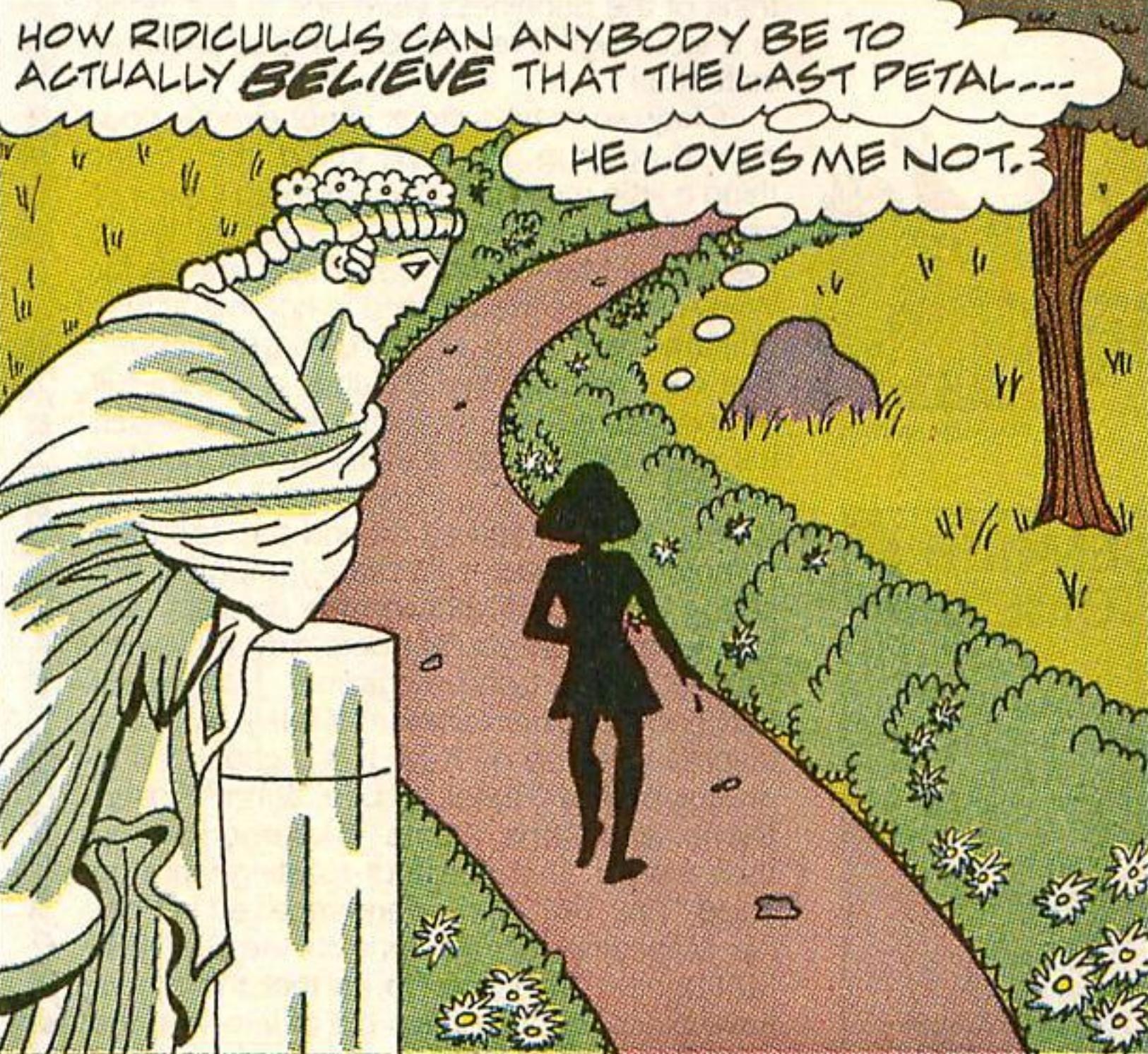


I DON'T KNOW WHY I'M
PLAYING THIS STUPID
GAME.



HOW RIDICULOUS CAN ANYBODY BE TO
ACTUALLY BELIEVE THAT THE LAST PETAL...

HE LOVES ME NOT.



...WILL TELL ME IF ANTONY LOVES
ME OR NOT.

HE LOVES
ME...



HE LOVES ME! ANTONY
REALLY LOVES ME!



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STAN'S SOAPBOX

Hi! Heroes,

There I was reading some old Soapboxes the other day (Hey, somebody's gotta do it!) and I came across a column from 1980 that I thought might be appropriate in this, the holiday season of brotherly love. So, without further (or even lesser) ado, here goes ...

Everyone yaps about young people being "different" nowadays. Forget it! Human nature doesn't change. What's happening is, the world has been wildly changing, producing new sets of rules each time you blink your eye. It's the social climate, the environment that's been changing, not you 'n me, Bunk!

Here's a f'rinstance: Say you've got

two homes—a lonely cabin in the country and a small city apartment. You play your stereo full blast in your cabin, but who cares? There's no one around to hear it, so you're not disturbing anyone. But play it just as loud in your small apartment with the paper-thin walls and your neighbors wanna clobber you. You haven't changed. You're the same yo-yo in both places. But the conditions are different!

Fact is, young people are the same as ever; the same noisy, scruffy, mangy, wonderful crazies they've always been—and adults are still the same grouchy, grumpy, goopy, hard-pressed and harassed heroes they've always been—and which you'll soon become. Nothing changes but the labels. Which leads us

to the main point I wanna make—

None of us is all that different from each other. We all want essentially the same things out of life—a measure of security, some fun, some romance, friendship and the respect of our contemporaries. That goes for everyone, Italians, Russians, Arabs, Asians, Catholics, Protestants, Jews, Blacks, Browns, Whites and green-skinned Hulks. So why don't we all get with it and stop putting the "other" guys down? Just look in the mirror, mister—that other guy is you! Seasons Greetings!

Excelsior!

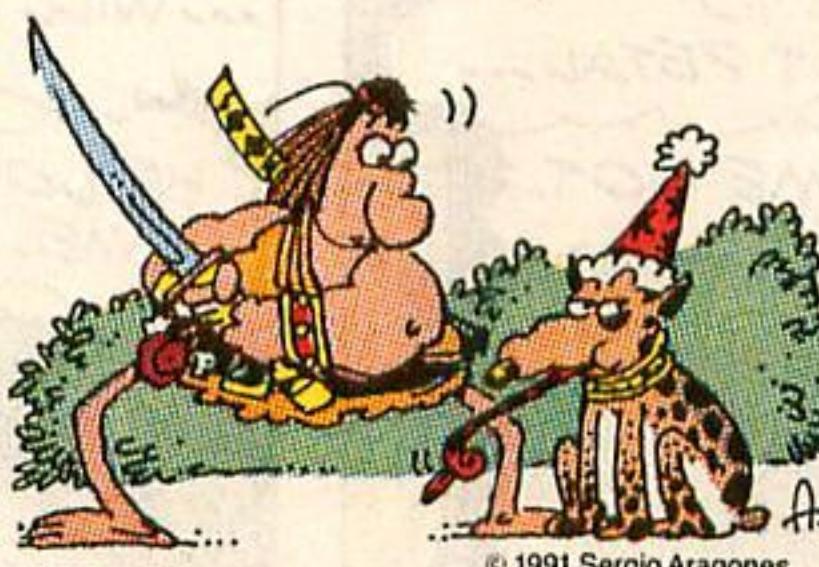
Stan Lee

We'll, it's that time of year again, you know, jingle bells, and mistletoe and ho-ho-ho. It's the season for giving. (Last month, we had thanksgiving. This month we have giving. Shouldn't that be the other way around?)

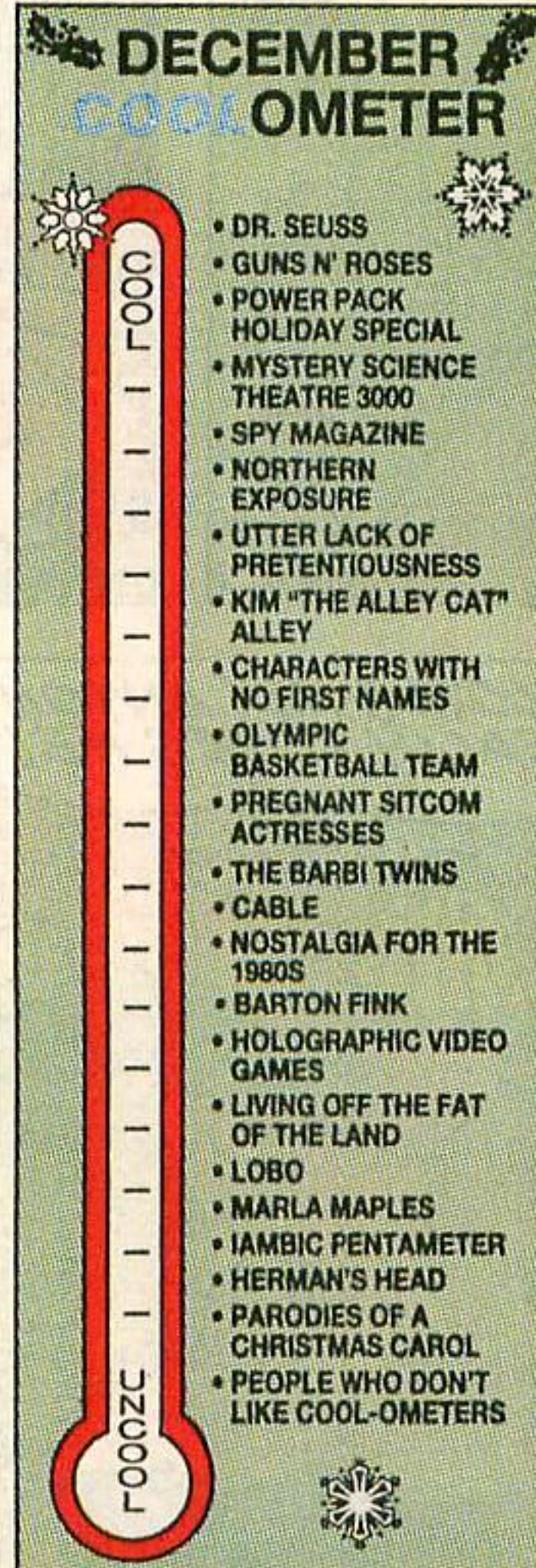
Our uptown friends were apparently very much in the spirit of giving this year—they gave us two of their employees—kind of. As we looked under the Marvel editorial tree this year, we were thrilled to find, wrapped in decorative packages with shiny red ribbons, former DC people "Jolly" Joey Cavalieri and "Merry" Mindy Newell. (It's not the Hot Wheels Race Track we had asked for, but there's always next year.) Joey and Mindy have joined us as an editor and an assistant editor, respectively and we're as happy as eight maids a' milking to have them aboard. Joey is now editor of MOON KNIGHT as well as the new ultra-top secret 2093 line. Mindy will be assisting Bob Budiansky over in Special Projects. Welcome aboard, Joey and Mindy! Now stop tacking up the mistletoe all over the joint and get to work.

All seriousness aside, we do have a lot of decorating to do here around the Marvel offices. We've even gone so far as to rearrange the ornaments at the top of the Marvel editorial tree this year, what with some recent promotions. **Mark "Melchior" Gruenwald**, **Carl "Caspar" Potts**, and **Bob "Balthazar" Budiansky** (or, the three Wise Men of Marvel, as they're collectively known), are now all Executive Editors (with Mark being Senior Executive Editor, of course!), each of whom has his own stable of editors to oversee. **Tom "Scrooge" DeFalco** is still our inestimable Editor in Chief, meaning he gets to put the cigar on the top of the tree. (We know, it's supposed to be a star, but Tom is the boss ... !)

Of course, once you have your own tree, you'll need gifts to put beneath it. As you're waiting in endless lines in department stores this year, or futilely searching for a parking space, you may be pondering gift ideas. What can you stuff in your stocking this year? Well, we can't buy your presents for you, but we can point out that this year, for the first time ever, it is now possible to own stock in Marvel. It's true, the Marvel Entertainment Group has gone public, and now it's possible to become a shareholder. Just



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think of the punniness were one to put stock in a stocking! Even the Grinch could appreciate that!

Okay, so maybe stock is not exactly your cup of eggnog. Perhaps you'd like something a little more fun. Then we can't think of anything better than a membership in WAM!, the official Marvel fan club. WAM! stands for Wild Agents of Marvel, and is not in any way affiliated with pop singer George Michael. The club membership includes a wreath-full of goodies, as well as a quarterly newsletter. It's even better than a Perry Como holiday special!

So, now, as you sit around the open fire (wishing you had a fireplace), sipping hot cocoa in the dark, praying the carolers outside won't know you're home, you may wish to relax with a good magazine. How about that copy of *Entertainment Weekly*, with the colorful write-up on X-MEN #1, chock full o' photos of Jim "Rudolph" Lee, John "Frosty" Byrne, and Chris "Santa" Claremont. And then there's that chestnut-roasting write-up Todd "Tiny Tim" McFarlane received in *People Magazine* for his work on the SPIDER-MAN book. It occurs to us that the media have blessed the comics biz of late with the gift of coverage.

With this being the season of giving, we got to thinking what we, the Marvel Entertainment Group, could do for you, our loyal fans. Then it occurred to us: we could increase the entertainment value of all our comics by an inflationary 100%! That's a deal that's sure to make your sleighbells ring-a-ling. Unfortunately, we've also had to raise the prices of our standard newsstand comics to \$1.25. What's that, you say—only a 25% price increase with a 100% increase in quality? How can they do it, you ask? It's easy. We've all taken an oath to care even more than we usually do. If you still don't know what to make of the situation, think of it as getting a visit from the Ghost of Price Increases Past.

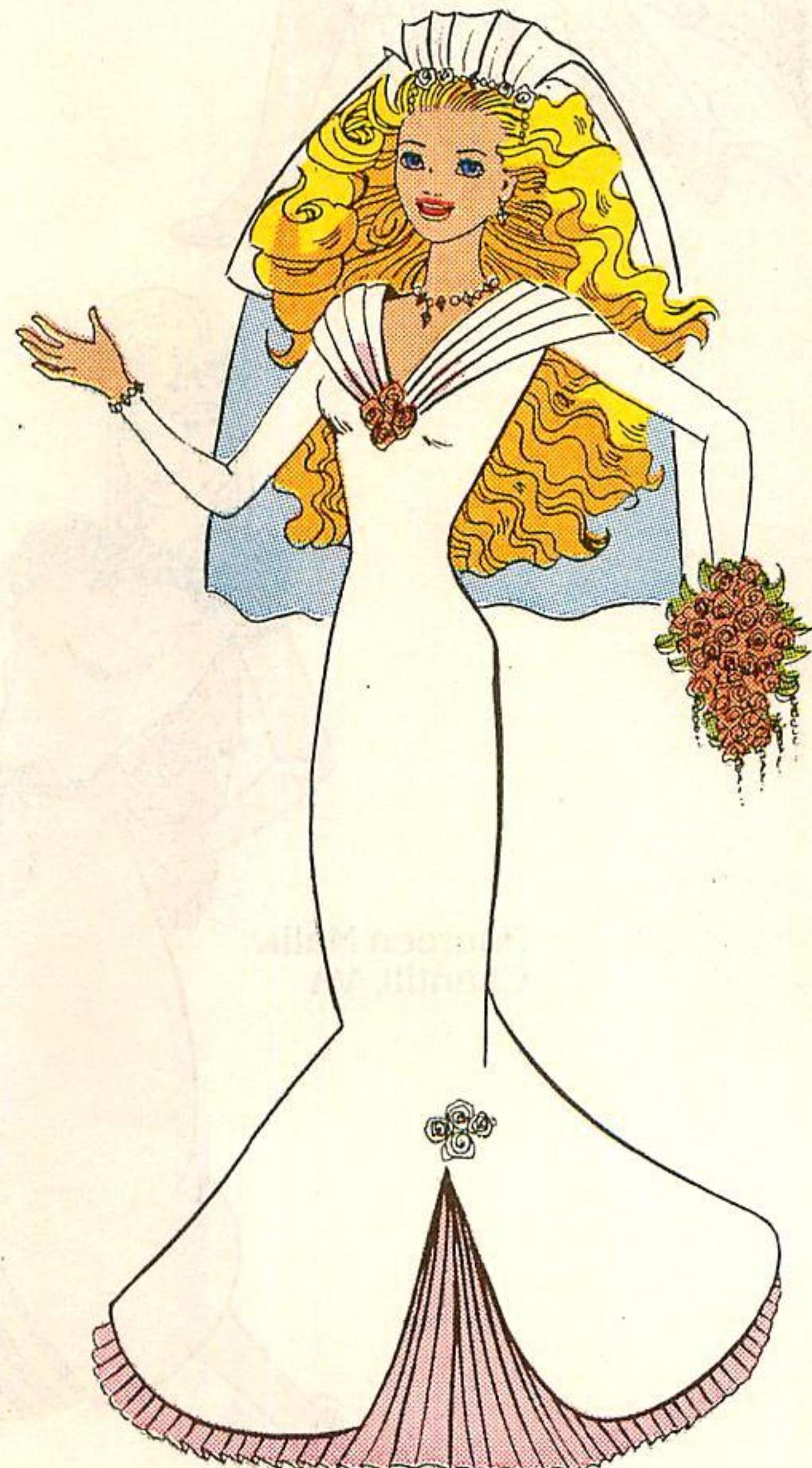
Brrr! The snow does seem to be piling up outside, and it seems to be getting a little deep in here, too. So it's time once again for us to cook up a batch of cut-out cookies, snuggle up with our loved ones, and listen to dogs barking out our favorite Yuletide carols. What more could any merry Marveloid ask for? Peace, people!

A BLUSHING BRIDE!

Barbie

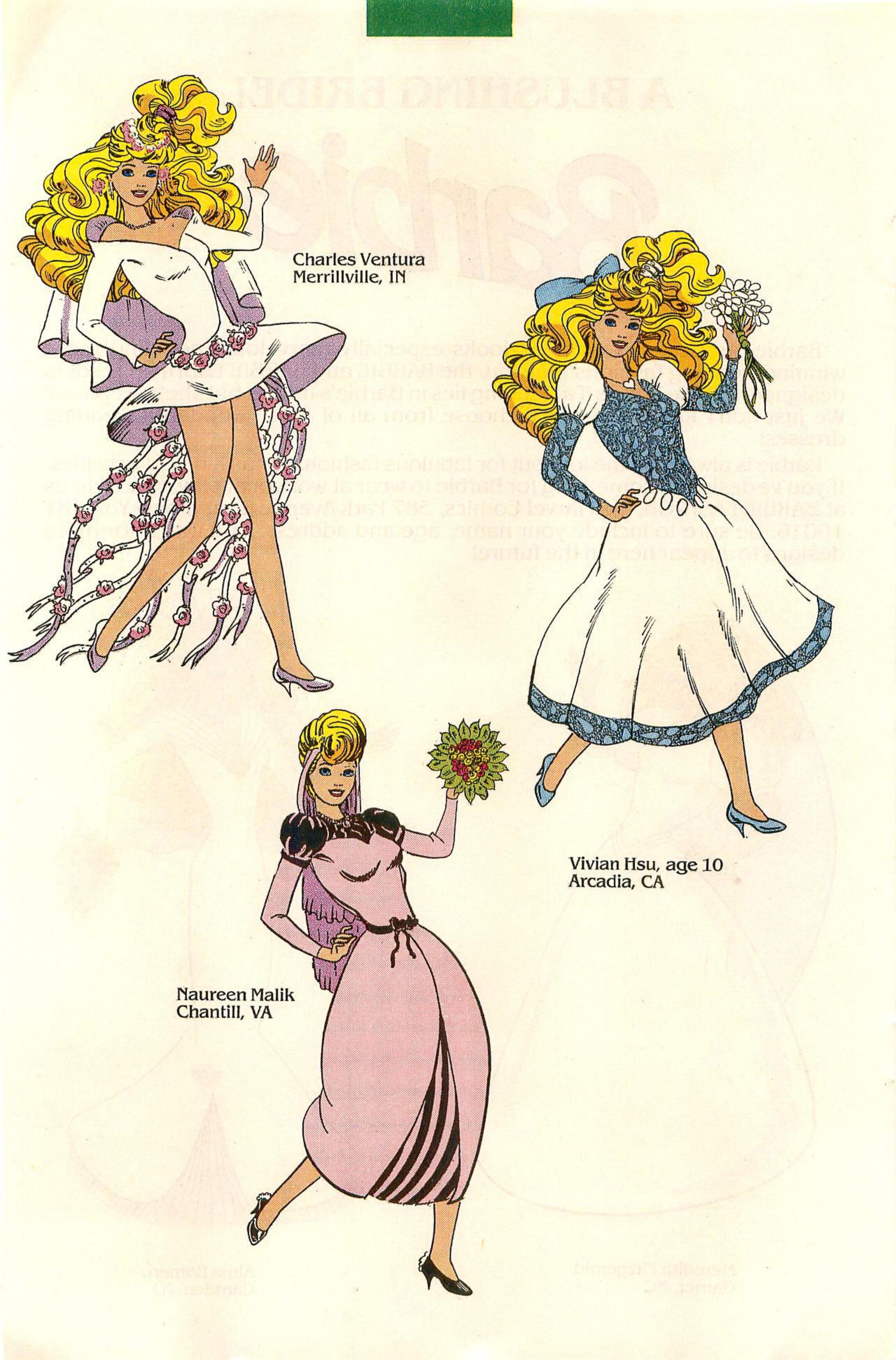
Barbie, as beautiful as ever, looks especially marvelous modeling these winning wedding fashions that you, the BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION readers designed! No one is sure if a wedding lies in Barbie's future, but she's prepared! We just don't know *how* she'll choose from all of these wonderful wedding dresses!

Barbie is always on the lookout for fabulous fashions for all kinds of activities. If you've designed something for Barbie to wear at work or at play, send it to us at BARBIE FASHION, c/o Marvel Comics, 387 Park Avenue South, New York, NY 10016. Be sure to include your name, age and address. And watch for more designs to appear here in the future!



Meredith Fitzgerald
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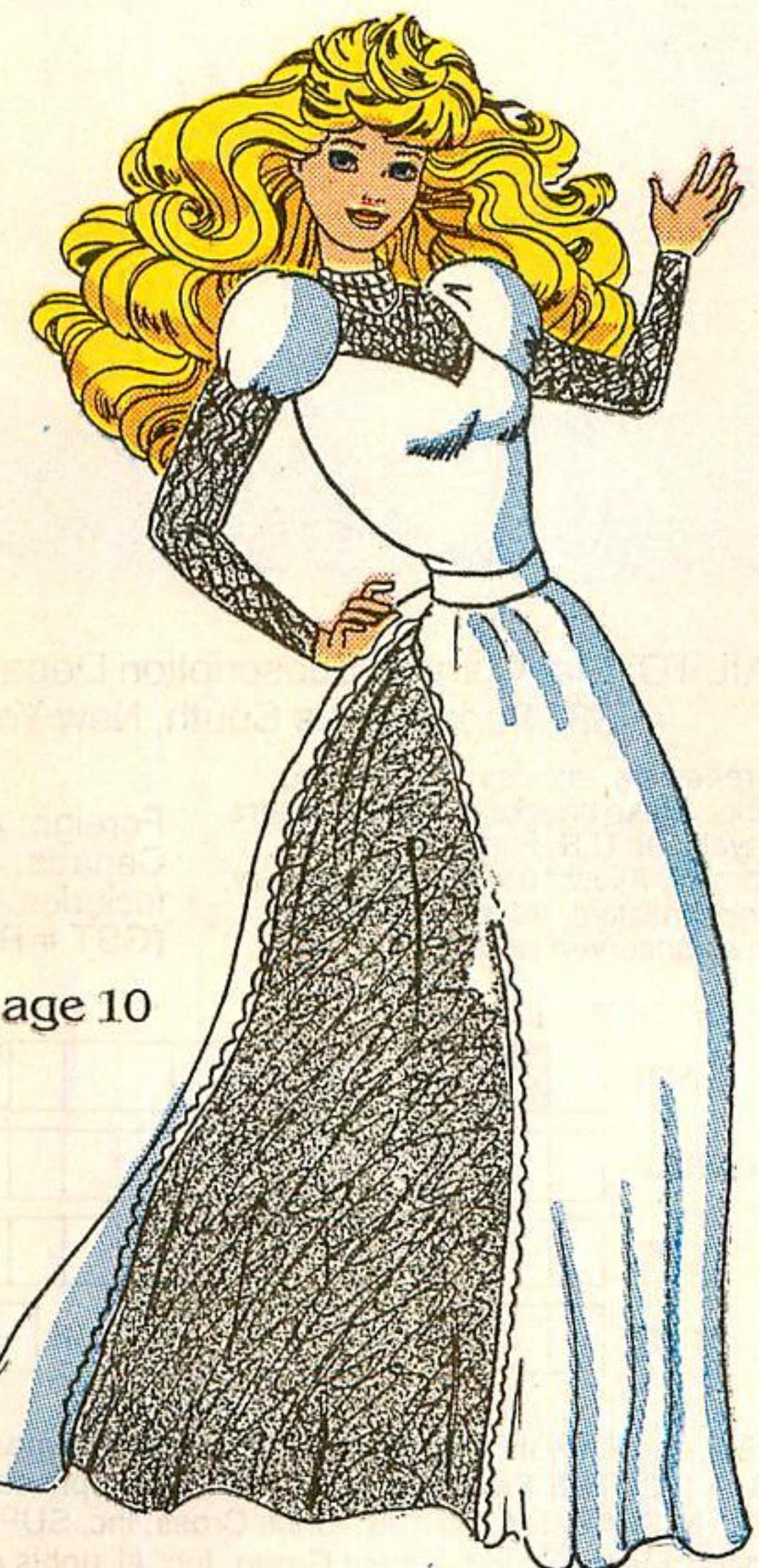
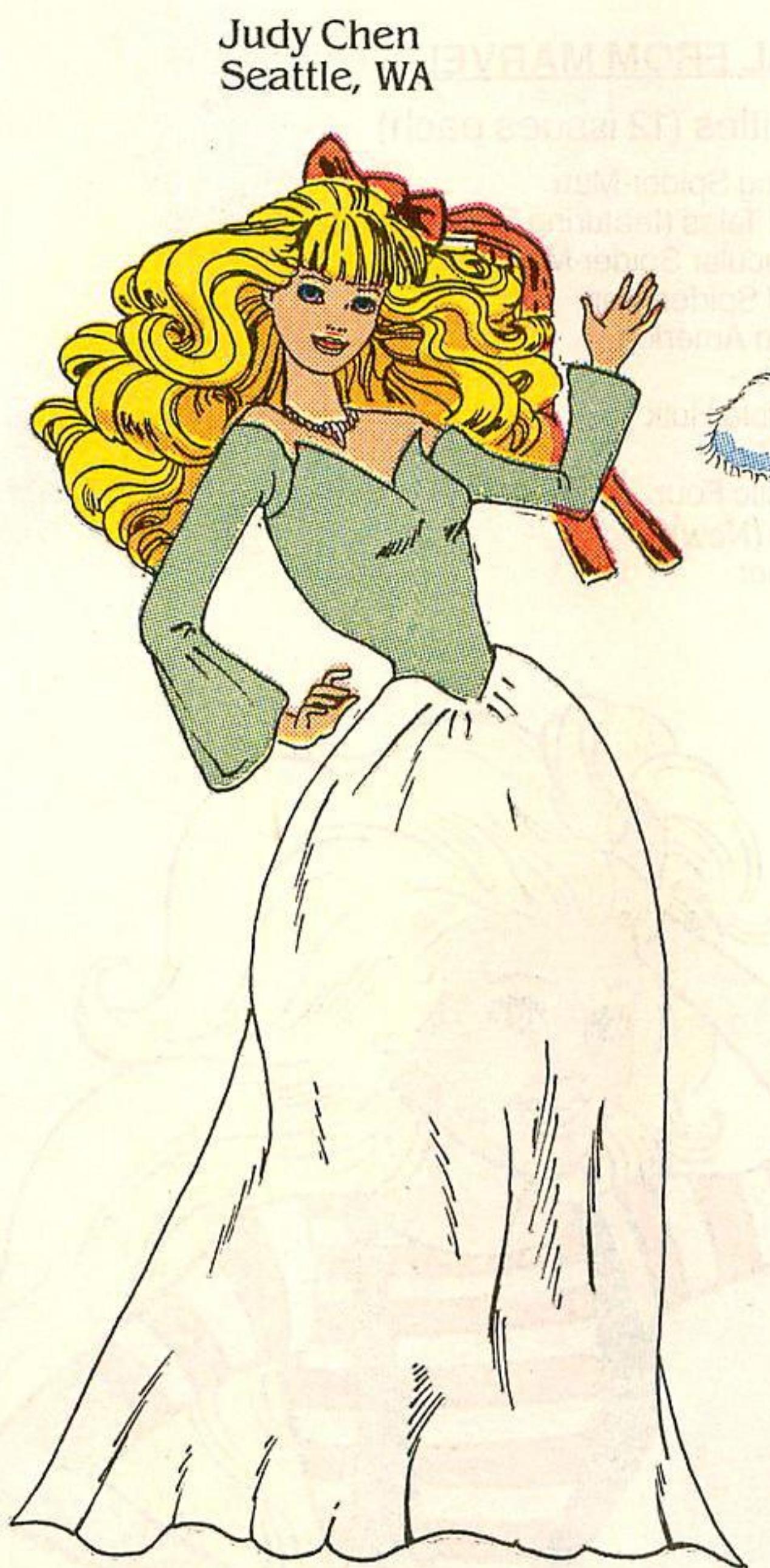
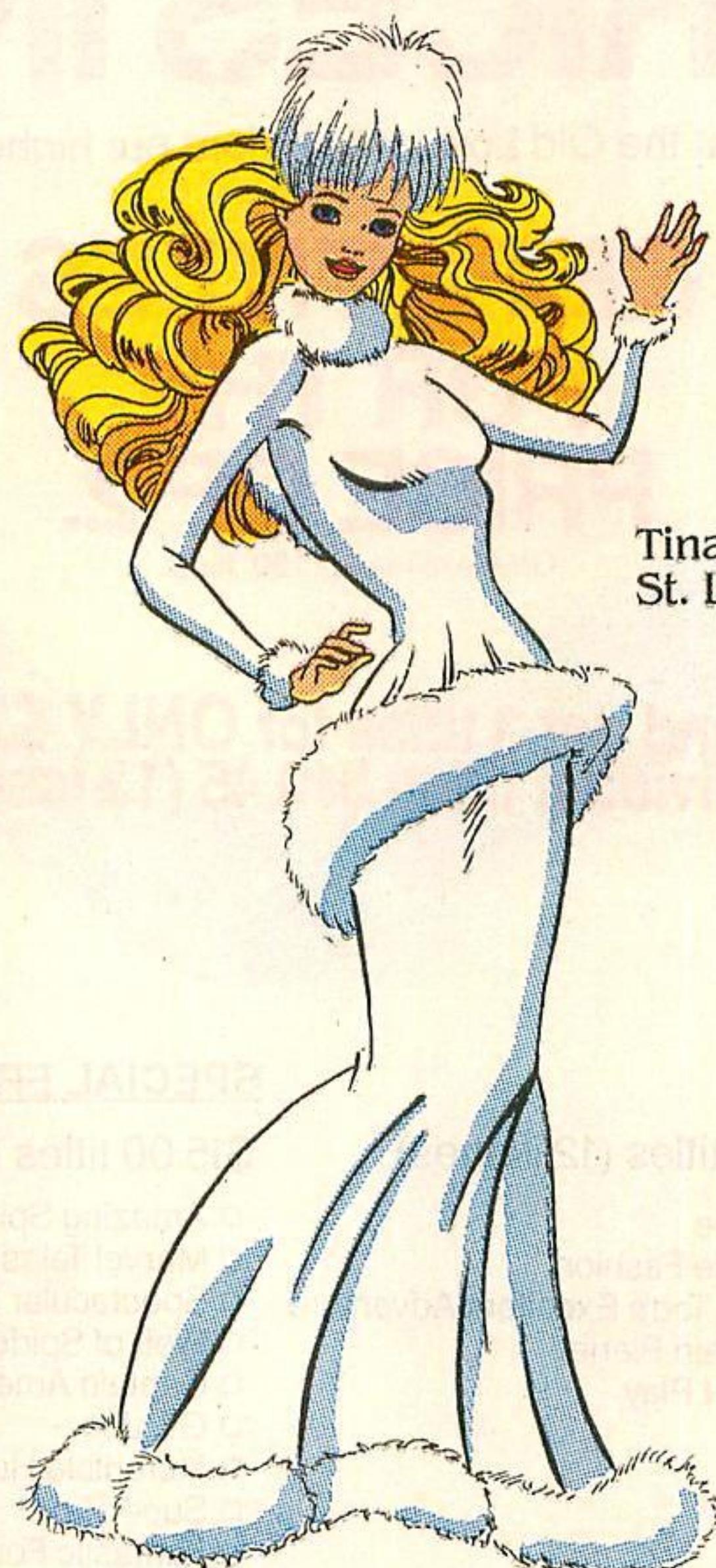
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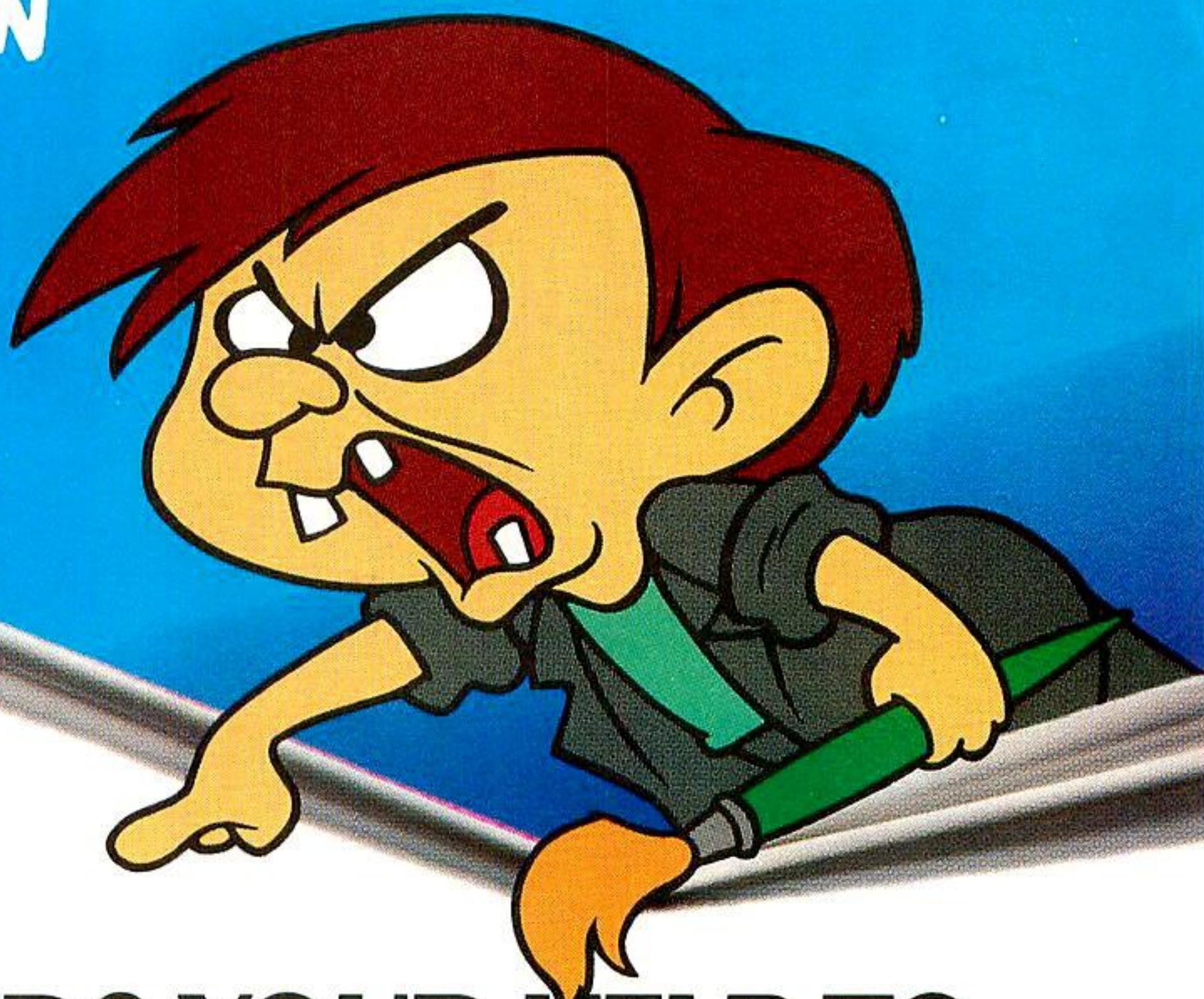
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**PAY NO ATTENTION
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BELOW!**



BUSTER NEEDS YOUR HELP TO SAVE BABS FROM MONTANA MAX BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE.

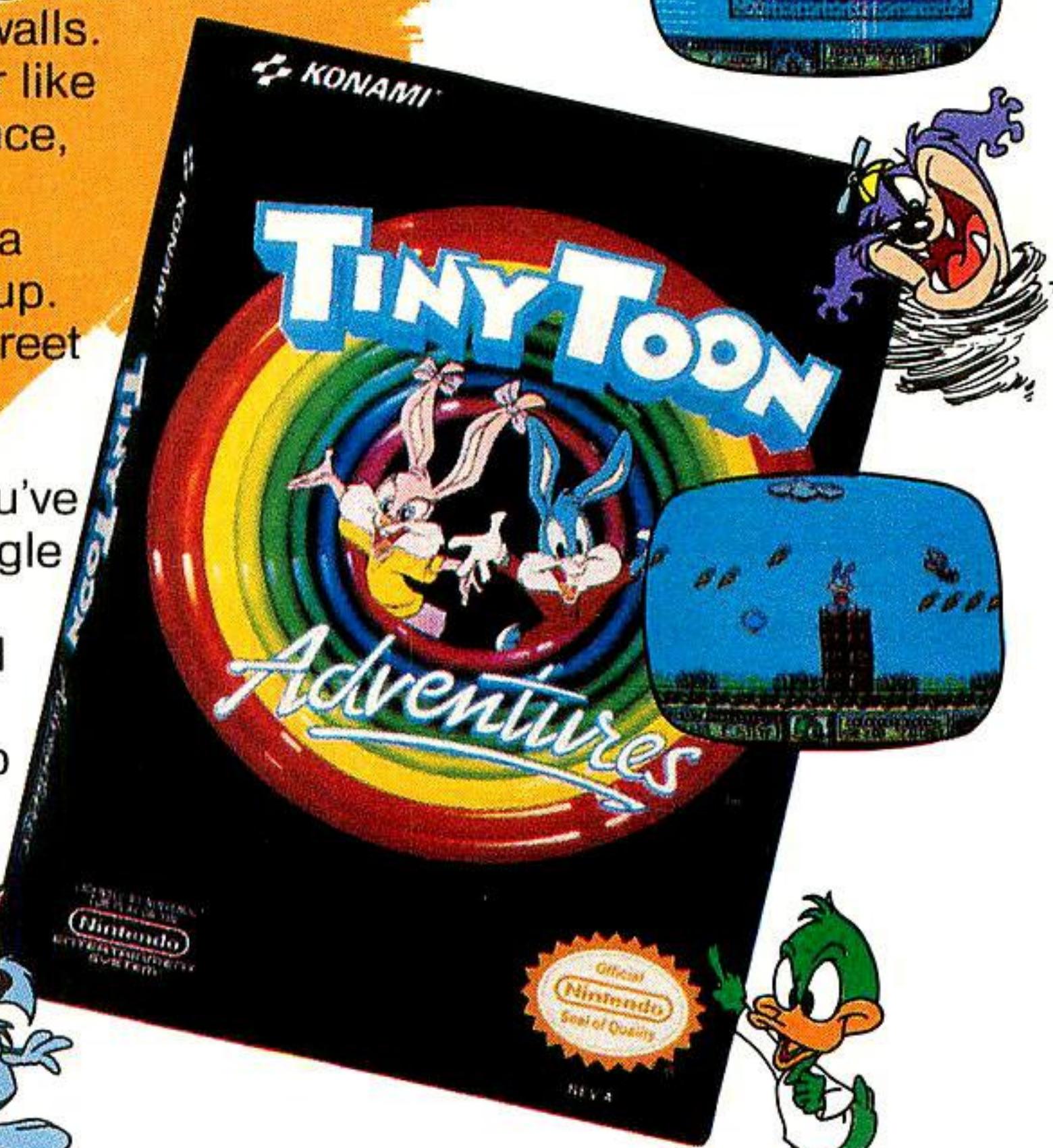
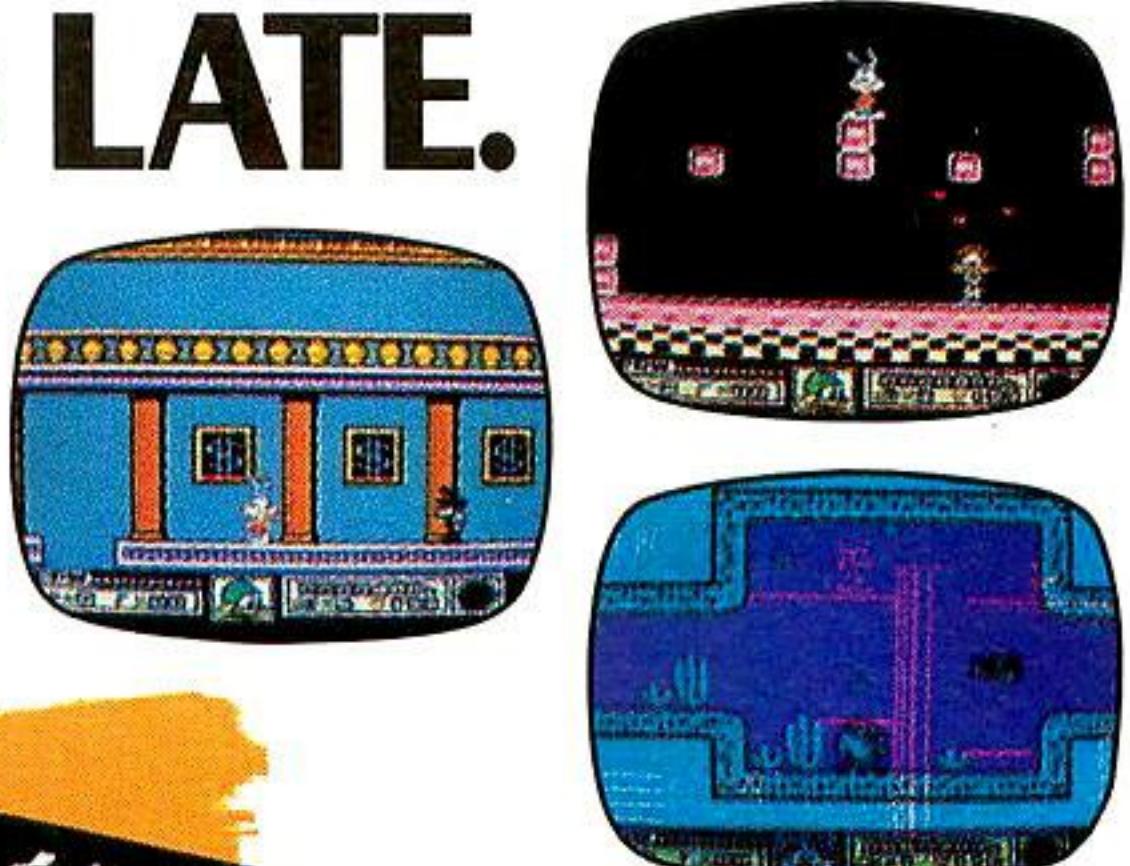
Acme Acres is in trouble to the max. That bratty billionaire has captured Babs Bunny. So Buster's got to get hopping on a wild rescue romp!

Luckily he's got the help of his kooky pals Dizzy Devil, Furrball and Plucky Duck. And how! Dizzy Devil spins himself silly to break through rock solid walls. Furrball climbs straight up walls. And Plucky swims and glides through the air like a... duck. Along with Buster's powerful bounce, Monty will be toast!

Maybe. Six hairy scary levels show you a gazillion ways that Monty will try to trip you up. He's hired a gang of goofballs gone bad to greet you, like the ever clever Roderick Rat, iron-pumping Arnold the Pitbull and hug-happy

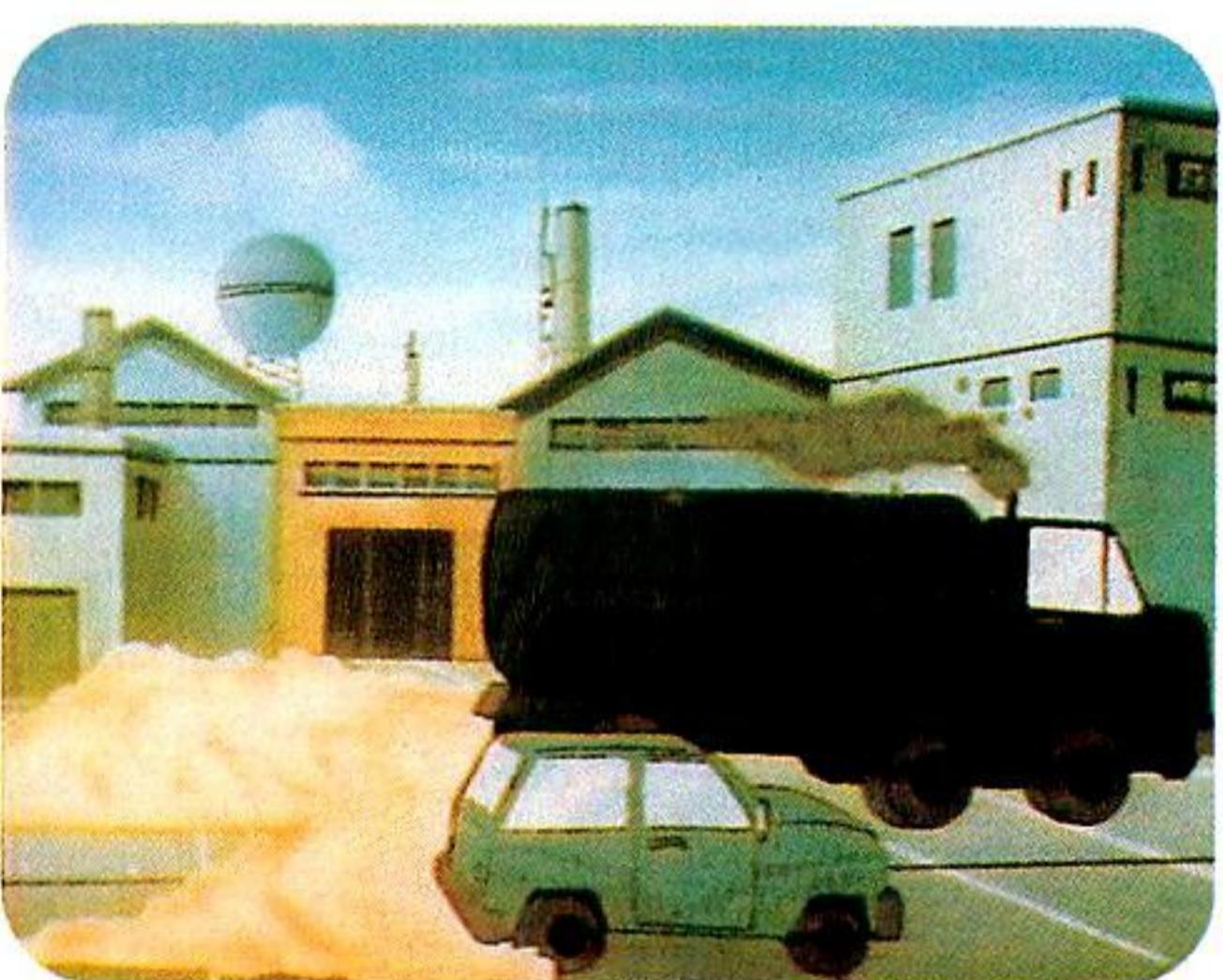
Elmyra. If that weren't enough, you've got to beat the clock as you struggle through haunted forests, creepy pirate ships, secret chambers and finally Monty's Mansion.

The Toonsters need your help now. So "Toon" up your NES™ and let Montana Max know who's boss!



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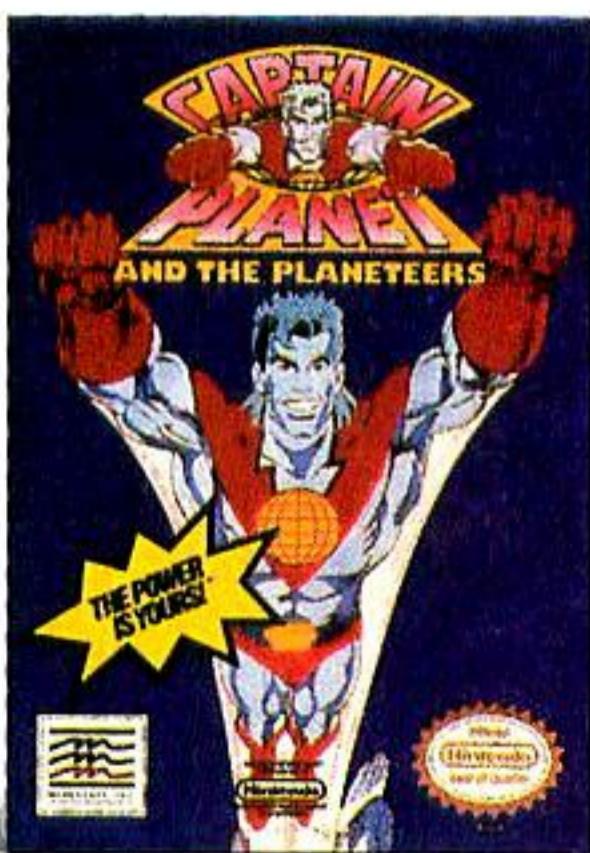
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